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Mirage crashes in MP, pilots eject safely

A Mirage-2000 fighter aircraft of the Indian Air Force on Thursday crashed in an agriculture field in Madhya Pradesh's Shivpuri district after encountering a system malfunction. Both pilots ejected safely but suffered minor injuries. The twin-seater trainer aircraft, which was on a routine sortie, had taken off from the Gwalior Airbase. The IAF has ordered an inquiry | PTI

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CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE GROUP

HAL Old Airport Road, Bangalore - 560 017
(Phone: 080 25084156, 4184)

CORRIGENDUM-I

Description	Details
Name of work	Annual contract for Washing & Pressing of Liveries at ISITE Campus Marathahalli, Bengaluru-560037 for a period of One year.
E-Tender Notice	URSC/C&MG/C/TN/35/2024-25 dated: 08.01.2025
Estimated cost put to Tender	₹ 19.35 Lakhs
Period during which the tender document can be downloaded.	Extended upto 16.30 hrs on 10.02.2025
Last date and time for receipt of tenders.	Up to 14.30 hrs. on 12.02.2025
Due date and time of opening of tenders.	After 14.30 hrs on 12.02.2025

Interested tenderers may please refer Detailed Notice Inviting E-Tender (NIET) for eligibility criteria and other details along with Hindi version in website: **www.isro.gov.in** and download the tender documents from **www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO**.

Sd/-
Group Director (Construction & Maintenance Group)

IN THE HONOURABLE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-2 AT ERNAKULAM

Kerala State Housing Board Building (1st Floor), Panampilly Nagar, Ernakulam, Kochi - 682036

O.A. NO. 442 OF 2024

Canara Bank, Irinjalakuda Branch : Applicant ....Vs. ......
Mani Saravanan and Another : Defendants

SUMMONS

Whereas, **O.A. No. 442/2024** was listed before the Registrar Court on 27.12.2024.
Whereas, this Honourable Tribunal is pleased to issue summons on the said Application under Section 19(4) of the Act, OA against you for the recovery of debts of **Rs. 45,46,713.09**
In accordance with sub-section (4) of Section 19 of the Act, you, the defendants are directed as under:-
(i) to show cause within thirty days of the service of summons as to why relief prayed for should not be granted. (ii) to disclose particulars of properties or assets other than properties and assets specified by the applicant under serial number 3A of the original application. (iii) You are restrained from dealing with or disposing of secured assets or such other assets and properties disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application, pending hearing and disposal of the application for attachment of properties. (iv) You shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise, except in the ordinary course of his business any of the assets over which security interest is created and/or other assets and properties specified or disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application without the prior approval of the Tribunal. (v) You shall be liable to account for the sale proceeds realized by the sale of secured assets or other assets and properties in the ordinary course of business and deposit such sale proceeds in the account maintained with the bank or financial institutions holding security interest over such assets.
You are also directed to file the written statement with a copy thereof furnished to the applicant and to appear before the Registrar on **05.03.2025 at 11.00 AM** failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your absence.
Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal on this the 06th day of January 2025.

By Order of the Tribunal
(Sd/-) Registrar

To, **Defendants -** No.1) Mani Saravanan, No. 1557, IIIrd Stage, Austin Town BDA Flats, Viveknagar, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560047.

ನಗರಸಭಾ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯ, ಉಡುಪಿ

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಉನಸ:ಬಿ1:ಸಿಆರ್:2024-25 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 04.02.2025

ಟೆಂಡರು ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಉಡುಪಿ ನಗರಸಭಾ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯ ರಸ್ತೆ ವಿಭಾಜಕಗಳಿಗೆ BOT ಆಧಾರದಲ್ಲಿ ದಾರಿದೀಪಗಳನ್ನು ಅಳವಡಿಸಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಚರಣೆ ಮತ್ತು ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆಯನ್ನು ಮಾಡುವ ಕೆಲಸವನ್ನು ನಿರ್ವಹಿಸಲು **R.F.P Document** ನಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯನ್ನು ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳಲು ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ (ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಅಪ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿರುವಂತೆ) **e-procurement** ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಕಚೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದವರಿಂದ ಮತ್ತು ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ನಿಂದ ಪಡೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದು.

1) ಪ್ರೀ ಬಿಡ್ ಮೀಟಿಂಗ್ ದಿನಾಂಕ 20.02.2025 ಪೂರ್ವಾಹ್ನ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ
2) **Queries/Clarifications** ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 27.02.2025 ಸಂಜೆ 5.00 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ
3) ಟೆಂಡರು ಫಾರಂಗಳನ್ನು ಡೌನ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 05.03.2025 ಸಂಜೆ 4.30 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ
4) ತುಂಬಿದ ಟೆಂಡರುಗಳನ್ನು ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 05.03.2025 ಸಂಜೆ 5.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ
5) ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸಲಾದ ಟೆಂಡರುಗಳ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ಡು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 06.03.2025 ಸಂಜೆ 5.01 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ
6) ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ಡು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಅರ್ಹ ಬಿಡ್ಡುದಾರರಿಗೆ ಪ್ರತ್ಯೇಕ ತಿಳಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು.

ಕ್ರ.ಸಂ.	ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ವಿವರ	ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ.	ಟ್ರಾನ್ಸಾಕ್ಷನ್ ಫೀ
1	ನಗರಸಭಾ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯ ಡಿ.ಸಿ. ಆಫೀಸ್ ರಸ್ತೆ ಕಾಯಿನ್ ಸರ್ಕಲ್‌ನಿಂದ ಅಂಬಾಗಿಲು ಸಂಜೀವ ಶೆಟ್ಟಿ ಸರ್ಕಲ್‌ವರೆಗೆ ಅಂಬಾಗಿಲು-ಪೆರಂಪಳ್ಳಿ-ಮಣಿಪಾಲ ರಸ್ತೆಯ ವಿಭಾಜಕ-ಕ್ಕೆ ದಾರಿದೀಪಗಳನ್ನು Built Operate and transfer ಆಧಾರದಲ್ಲಿ ಅಳವಡಿಸಿ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ ಮಾಡಿ ಅವಧಿ ಮುಗಿದ ಬಳಿಕ ನಗರಸಭೆಗೆ ಹಸ್ತಾಂತರಿಸುವುದು DMA/2024-25/SE4181	165000.00	ಇ-ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ನಂತೆ

ಸಹಿ/- ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು, ಉಡುಪಿ ನಗರಸಭೆ
ಸಹಿ/- ಪೌರಾಯುಕ್ತರು, ಉಡುಪಿ ನಗರಸಭೆ

ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ಕುಟುಂಬ ಕಲ್ಯಾಣ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯ ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟೆ

ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆಡಳಿತ ಭವನ ಕೊಠಡಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:130 ನವನಗರ,ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟ-587103
Email ID:dhobagalkote@gmail.com ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:08354-236028

No: DH&FWS/NHM/QA/NQAS/Procurement/01/2024-25 Dated: 05/02/2025

ಪ್ರಕಟನೆ

15ನೇ ಹಣಕಾಸು ಆಯೋಗದಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಅಭಿಯಾನ ಯೋಜನೆಯಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ National Quality Assurance Programme ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮದಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅನುಮೋದಿಸಿದಂತೆ ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟೆ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ ಪ್ರಾಥಮಿಕ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಕೇಂದ್ರಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ನಗರ ಪ್ರಾಥಮಿಕ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಕೇಂದ್ರಗಳಿಗೆ ಉಪಕರಣ ಖರೀದಿಸುವ ಸಲುವಾಗಿ ಟೆಂಡರ ಕರೆಯಲಾಗಿದ್ದು ಎನ್.ಹೆಚ್.ಎಂ ಮಾರ್ಗಸೂಚಿ ಪ್ರಕಾರ / ಅರ್ಹ ಪೂರೈಕೆದಾರರಿಂದ KPPP Portal ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಿದೆ.

ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಚಾಲ್ತಿ ದಿನಾಂಕ	05/02/2025 ರಿಂದ
ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ಸಮಯ	17/02/2025 ರ ಸಂಜೆ 04:00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ
ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ	10/02/2025
ಸಾಮಗ್ರಿಗಳ ಮಾದರಿ ಪರಿಶೀಲನಾ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ಸಮಯ	18/02/2025 ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ: 10:30 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ
ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ಸಮಯ	20/02/2025ರ ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ: 11:30 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ
ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ಸಮಯ	27/02/2025 ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ: 10:30 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ
ಟೆಂಡರ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ಸ್ಥಳ	ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆ.ಕು.ಕ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಛೇರಿ, ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆಡಳಿತ ಭವನ, ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟೆ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ.
ವ್ಯವಹಾರಿಕ ಸ್ಥಳ	ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಕುಟುಂಬ ಕಲ್ಯಾಣ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು, ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ & ಕುಟುಂಬ ಕಲ್ಯಾಣ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಛೇರಿ ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟೆ ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 9449843165

ಸಹಿ/-ಉಪಾಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು
ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ಕುಟುಂಬ ಕಲ್ಯಾಣ ಸಂಘ ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟೆ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ.

DIPR/BGK/RO-NO-472/KSMCA/2024-25

UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES, RAICHUR

[ICAR, NAAC accredited and UGC u/s 12(B) & 2(f) approved]
Stores Purchase Officer, UAS, Raichur - 584104,
E-mail: spo@uasraichur.edu.inPh: 08532-220165

E-Tender Notification No. SPO/UASR/E-Proc-07 CALL-II /2024-25, Dt: 03-02-2025.

TENDER NOTIFICATION

The University of Agricultural Sciences, Raichur is inviting e-tender for inviting short term tender notification for the supply of seed bags, supply of raw materials for the production of pulse magic and chickpea magic, establishment of rain out shelter and other scientific equipments.The interested suppliers are requested to participate through online only. Thewebsite address iswww.kppp.karnataka.gov.in (Indent Number:-UASRCR/2024-25/IND0026 CALL-II to 0040 CALL-II. The last date for submission of filled in Tender Document is 11-02-2025.

Sd/- Stores Purchase Officer UAS, Raichur.

DIP/RCR/721/KSMCA/722/2024-25

Government of Karnataka

RURAL DRINKING WATER & SANITATION DEPARTMENT

Office Of Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Division Belagavi Near Krishna Devaraya Circle, 1st Floor of PRED Division, Nehru Nagar- 590010

No.RDW&S/BGM/PB-2/TND-12/2024-25/3004 Dated: 05/02/2025

ITEM RATE TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (E-PROCUREMENT)

The Executive Engineer, RDW&S Division, Belgaum invites item rate tenders on behalf ofGovernor of Karnataka State Government from the eligible contractors/Agency **Indent Number: RWSSD/2024-25/SE0671,RWSSD/2024-25/SE0670,RWSSD/2024-25/SE0669**

Calendar events are as follows

I) Last date & time for receipt of tenders through e-portal: 21-02-2025 before 17:30 hours. ii) Date of Opening of Technical Bid: 24-02-2025 after 11:00 Hours. iii) Date of Opening of Financial Bid: After Technical Bid approval. IV) Amount put to Tender, EMD, work completion period, Class of contractor, eligibility criteria are as published in e-procurement portal.

More details can be had from the office of the undersigned and also through website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** by clicking list of Tenders which will link to all dept works list.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer,
RDW & S Division, Belagavi.

DIPO/BGM/RONO.1611/24-25

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಸಂಘ,

ಎನ್.ಹೆಚ್.ಎಂ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆರ್.ಸಿ.ಹೆಚ್ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಛೇರಿ,
ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ಕುಟುಂಬ ಕಲ್ಯಾಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಛೇರಿ ಆವರಣ,
ಮಂಡ್ಯ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ, ಮಂಡ್ಯ. ಫೋ:-08232 - 228700.
ಇ-ಮೇಲ್ : rchomandya@gmail.com
ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ : ಆರ್.ಸಿ.ಹೆಚ್/ಹೆಚ್.ಆರ್ ಟೆಂಡರ್/523/2024-25
ದಿನಾಂಕ : 05.02.2025

ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ
ಹೊರಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಆಧಾರದ ಮೇಲೆ ಮಾನವ ಸಂಪನ್ಮೂಲ ಸೇವೆಯನ್ನು E-Procurement ಮೂಲಕ ಪಡೆಯುವ ಬಗ್ಗೆ

2025-2026 ನೇ ಸಾಲಿಗೆ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಅಭಿಯಾನ, ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ಕುಟುಂಬ ಕಲ್ಯಾಣ ಸೊಸೈಟಿ, ಮಂಡ್ಯಜಿಲ್ಲೆ, ಮಂಡ್ಯ ಇಲ್ಲಿ ವಿವಿಧ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಕರ್ತವ್ಯ ನಿರ್ವಹಿಸಲು ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮ ಸಹಾಯಕರು-01, ಲೆಕ್ಕ ಪತ್ರ ಸಹಾಯಕರು-09, ಗಣಕಯಂತ್ರ ಸಹಾಯಕರು-31, ಎಂ.ಐ.ಎಸ್.ಐ.ಟಿ ಸಹಾಯಕರು-01, ಅಡುಗೆ ತಯಾರಕರು (ಕುಕ್) -01, ಎಲ್.ಡಿ.ಸಿ (ಎನ್.ಯು.ಹೆಚ್.ಎಂ)-02, ವಾಹನ ಚಾಲಕರು-18, ಗ್ರೂಪ್-ಡಿ-07 ಮತ್ತು ಮಲ್ಟಿ ಟಾಸ್ಕ್ ವರ್ಕರ್-02, ಆಯುಷ್ ಪಂಚಕರ್ಮ ವಿಭಾಗದ ಸ್ವಚ್ಛತಾ ಸಿಬ್ಬಂದಿ-05, ನಮ್ಮ ಕ್ಲಿನಿಕ್ (ಪಿ.ಎಂ-ಎ.ಬಿ.ಹೆಚ್.ಐ.ಎಮ್)-14 ನೌಕರರನ್ನು ಒಳಗೊಂಡಂತೆ ಒಟ್ಟು - 91 ನೌಕರರಿಗೆ ಒಟ್ಟು ರೂ. 2,65,57,000/-ಎರಡು ಕೋಟಿ ಅರವೈತ್ತೈದು ಲಕ್ಷದ ಐವತ್ತೇಳು ಏಳು ಸಾವಿರ ರೂ) ಗಳ ಅಂದಾಜು ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ವೇತನವನ್ನು ನೀಡಲು (ಇ.ಪಿ.ಎಫ್, ಇ.ಎಸ್.ಐ ಮತ್ತು ಜಿ.ಎಸ್.ಟಿ ಒಳಗೊಂಡಂತೆ)] ಹೊರ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಆಧಾರದ ಮೇಲೆ ಎನ್.ಹೆಚ್.ಎಂ ಮಾರ್ಗಸೂಚಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಕೆ.ಟಿ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ 1999 ರ ನಿಯಮಗಳು ಹಾಗೂ ಪ್ರಕಾರ 2000 ನಿಯಮನುಸಾರ ಹೊರ ಸಂಪನ್ಮೂಲ ಏಜೆನ್ಸಿ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಸೇವೆ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆಯನ್ನು ಹೊರಡಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ವಿವರಗಳು ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತಿವೆ.

(1) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 05.02.2025. (2) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ : ರೂ. 2,65,57,000/-. (3) ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ ಮೊತ್ತ : ರೂ. 6,64,000/-. (4) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಾರಂಭದ ದಿನಾಂಕ (Web Portal) : 05.02.2025 ಬೆಳಗ್ಗೆ: 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಯಿಂದ. (5) ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡಿದ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಫಾರಂಗಳ ಸಲ್ಲಿಕೆಗೆ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ಸಮಯ : 24.02.2025 ಸಂಜೆ: 05.00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ

* ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಲಕೋಟೆಯನ್ನು ತೆರೆದ ನಂತರ ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಲಕೋಟೆಯನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯಲಾಗುವುದು.
* ಯಾವುದೇ ಬದಲಾವಣೆಗಳು ಇದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ ಇ-ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು. ಯಾವುದೇ ರೀತಿಯ ಪತ್ರಿಕಾ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯನ್ನೂ ಹೊರಡಿಸಲಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.
* ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** ಹಾಗೂ ಕಛೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ಕುಟುಂಬ ಕಲ್ಯಾಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಛೇರಿ, ಮಂಡ್ಯ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು.

ಸಹಿ/-ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ಕುಟುಂಬ ಕಲ್ಯಾಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು
ಉಪಾಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು, ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಸಂಘ, ಎನ್.ಹೆಚ್.ಎಂ, ಮಂಡ್ಯ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ

ವಾವಾಸಂಇ/ಸನಿ-ಮಂ/ಕೆಎಸ್‌ಎಂಸಿಎ/638/2024-25

Government of Karnataka

Public Works Department, Special Division, Hunsur

Short Term tender Notification
(Through https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)

IFT No: 15/2024-25 **Date: 03-02-2025**

On behalf of Governor of Karnataka the undersigned has invited itemised tender for 13-works related to Hunsur Division as per terms and conditions of "standard tender documents" KW-3 & KW-4 from the eligible registered contactors under PWD through kppp Portal. Maximum amount put to tender Rs.643.88 lakhs and Minimum amount put to tender Rs.59.62 lakhs, Maximum EMD amount of Rs.9,65,830/- and Minimum EMD amount of Rs.59,620/- Tender documents is downloaded from the https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in website Dt: 03.02.2025 and Last date for submission of filled tender documents is Dt: 18.02.2025 upto 16.00 Hours. Period for completion of works (including monsoon) Maximum 7-Months & Minimun 3-Months For more details visit the undersigned during office working hours .

Note: 1) The employer reserves the rights to Reject or Accept any or all the tenders without assigning any reasons. 2) Tender extension/Addendum/Corrigendum etc, will be notified only in KPP Portal and will not be published in news papers.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, PWD, Special Division, Hunsur

DIPR/DDMYS/1241/KSMCA/862/2024-25

बैंक ऑफ़ इंडिया Bank of India BOI

Jayanagar Branch, #623, 10th 'A' Main, Near Hot Chips, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011
Phone:080 22959483/84/86
Fax:080 22959485/22440252
Email:jayanagar.bengaluru@bankofindia.co.in

APPENDIX-IV [See rule-8(1)]

POSSESSION NOTICE

(For Immovable Property)

Whereas,The undersigned being the authorized officer of the Bank of India under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 04-10-2024 calling upon the borrower **Mr.Aron Kistan proprietor of M/s A.B. Granites** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 45,91,059.22/- (in words Rupees forty five lakhs ninety one thousand fifty nine and paisa twenty two)** and interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this the 1st day of February of the year 2025;
The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Bank of India for an amount Rs. 45,91,059.22 and interest thereon.
The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Property bearing site no.18/A, corporation khata no.650/18/A/11, situated at Vijinapura, Bangalore in ward no.56 of A. Narayanapura Sub-Division , together with the building thereon comprising of ground and first floor(formerly carved out of Survey no.11 of Vijinapaura Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, measuring 4 acres 20 guntas), presently within the revenue administrative jurisdiction of the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike and bounded on:**On the North by :** site no.18 **On the South by:** site no.18/B **On the East by:** Road **On the West by:** khadi board compound

Date : 01-02-2025 **Sd/-, Authorized Officer**
Place : Bangalore **(Chief Manager)Bank Of India**

OREDA LIMITED

(Under the Department of Energy Government of Odisha)
(CIN No: U35105OD2024SGC045786)
(ISO 9001:2008 / ISO 14001:2004)
S/59, MANCHESWAR INDUSTRIAL ESTATE
BHUBANESWAR-751010, ODISHA
Website: www.oredaodisha.com, E-mail: ceoreda@oredaorissa.com

Corrigendum

Notice No: 379 /PD - 05/2024 **Date: 03.02.2025**

CAD-2489: Corrigendum is issued with change in schedule of events for EOI notice no: 4814, dated 16.12.2024 for Design, Engineering, retrofitting and deployment of existing diesel/ petrol-powered fishing boats into electric powered boats with on-board battery pack unit along with Comprehensive Maintenance for two (02) years at various places of the Chilika lake, Odisha.
The revised scheduled of events are mentioned below:

Sl no	Name of the event	Date & Time	Revised Date & Time
1.	Date of publication of EOI on E-procurement website and OREDA website	16.12.2024	16.12.2024
2.	Due date of pre bid query submission as per format of EOI	23.12.2024, Time: 5.00 PM	23.12.2024, Time: 5.00 PM
3.	Date and time of pre-bid meeting through virtual mode https://meet.google.com/okc-tqjw-egy	24.12.2024, Time: 12.30 PM	24.12.2024, Time: 12.30 PM
4.	Due date and time for submission of online copies of Technical Bid and price bid.	31.01.2025, Time: 5.00 PM	07.02.2025, Time: 5.00 PM
5.	Due date and time for submission of hard copies of Technical Bid for select Bid Forms only. Bidders must submit the COST OF BID, BID SECURITY, POWER OF ATTORNEY ONLY and JV Agreement copy (if applicable) only in hard copy, as specified In the tender documents. Submission of any additional documents in hard copy, contrary to the tender requirements, may result in rejection of the BID.	05.02.2025, Time: 5.00 PM	11.02.2025, Time: 5.00 PM
6.	Tentative date and time for the opening of Technical Bid for both online copies and hard copies, except price bid.	27.01.2025, Time: 3:30 PM	12.02.2025, Time: 05:00 PM
7.	Due date and time for the opening of online price bid applicable only for the bidders whose Technical bids shall be responsive.	To be intimated later	To be intimated later

Details can be seen from the website **www.tenderwizard.com/OREDA** or **www.oredaorissa.com.** Further corrigendum, if any, will be uploaded in these websites only.

OIPR - 04065/11/0039/2425 Sd/- Chief Executive Officer

THE KARNATAKA STATE CO-OPERATIVE APEX BANK LTD.,

'Uthunga', No.1, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamrajpet, Bangalore - 560 018

No: CEO/EST/HI/e-Tenders/3681/2024-25 **Date: 06-02-2025**

SHORT TERM E-TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through Electronic Portal only)

THE KARNATAKA STATE CO-OPERATIVE APEX BANK LTD., BENGALURU, invites **e-Tender under 2 cover system for Providing Group Health Insurance Coverage for Employees of the Bank for the period from 14.03.2025 to 13.03.2026, The Insurance Companies (Health Insurance) registered with IRDAI.** e-Tender Notification can be downloaded at **www.tenderwizard.com/etenders**

Name of Work: Providing Group Health Insurance Coverage for Employees
SHORT TERM E-TENDER NOTIFICATION - CALENDER OF EVENTS

1	Tender open Date/Technical Bid Open Date	07.02.2025
2	Technical Bid close Date	15.02.2025
3	Commercial Bid open Date	24.02.2025
4	Commercial Bid close Date	25.02.2025

For further details contact KEONICS e-Procurement Help Desk: Phone No: 080-40482100/9632699768 regarding e-Tender processing fees, Registration charges in website www.tenderwizard.com/etenders or Establishment Section of KSC Apex Bank Ltd., Chamarajpet, Bengaluru during office hours.

Note: Bank has got all the rights to reject any or all the above tender bids at its discretion without giving any reasons.

Sd/-
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
K.S.C Apex Bank Ltd., Bengaluru

KALYANA KARNATAKA ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION: CENTRAL OFFICES: KALABURAGI

NO/KKTCO/TR/COM/4463/2024-25 Dated:05-02-2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION NO. 01/2025 (TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT)

Bids are invited from NHAI approved service provider Banks to provide Electronic toll payment services for buses of KKRTC operated through various toll plazas. The selected bidder will have to provide a customized solution to KKRTC for Electronic Toll Payments.
In this regard, a Pre-bid meeting is fixed on **19.02.2025 at 11:00 hrs** in KKRTC entral office, Main road, Kalaburagi.

Description	Events	
	Date	Time
Last date &Time for Submission of Bids	28.02.2025	17:00 hrs
Date &Time of Opening of Technical Bid	04.03.2025	11:00 hrs
Date & time of Opening of Financial Bid	10.03.2025	11:00 hrs

1. The details of EMD, Terms & Conditions, Eligibility Criteria and other Technical details can be downloaded from the e-portal website: **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** and e-portal cell contact No-080-46010000, 080-68948777. 2. KKRTC reserves the right to accept or reject tenders without assigning any reasons thereof. 3. For more details contact: Dy Chief Traffic Manager-7760992047, E-mail Id: **ctmnekrtcglb@gmail.com**

Sd/- Chief Traffic Manager
(Tender Inviting Authority)

DIPR/Kalaburagi/930/KSMC&A/2024-25

ORISSA STATE AIDS CONTROL SOCIETY

Department of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of Odisha

Tender / Bid No. 4638 / OSACS Date. 01.02.2025
File no.: XV-Proc.-46 / 2023

NOTICE INVITING BID FOR SUPPLY OF OFFICE STATIONERY & MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS ON ANNUAL RATE CONTRACT BASIS

E-725: Orissa State AIDS Control Society (OSACS), H & FW Deptt., Govt. of Odisha, 2nd Floor, Oil Odisha Building, Nayapalli, Bhubaneswar-12 invites sealed tenders under **two bid systems** from the interested and eligible bidders for **Supply of Office Stationery & Misc. Items on Annual Rate Contract Basis for a period of one year from the date of agreement / contract, which may be extended further** on the same terms and conditions, mutual consent of both parties & performance of the bidder. The tender documents in prescribed formats should be submitted to the address as mentioned above through **Registered Post / Speed Post / Courier** only. For more details, please visit website of OSACS i.e. **https://osacs.odisha.gov.in** and download the tender documents. The Date of availability of Tender Document is **07.02.2025, 11.00AM** & Closing Date & Time of Receiving of Sealed Tender **27.02.2025 upto 5.00PM.**

OIPR- 10009/11/0032/2425 **Sd/- Project Director**

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ನೀರಾವರಿ ನಿಗಮ ನಿಯಮಿತ

ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್‌ರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ, ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ನೀರಾವರಿ ನಿಗಮ ನಿಯಮಿತ, ನಂ. 3 ಭದ್ರಾ ನಾಲಾ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಮಲೇಬೆನ್ನೂರು.
ಫೋನ್/ಫ್ಯಾಕ್ಸ್:08192-200255 Email:eeknnlmbr@gmail.com

ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಉಲ್ಲೇಖ:-
(1) ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:07/1241/2024-25 ದಿನಾಂಕ:31.01.2025
(2) ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:04ಕಾಲ್-2/1254/2024-25 ದಿ:31.01.2025
(3) ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:03ಕಾಲ್-3/1250/2024-25 ದಿ:31.01.2025
(4) ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:02ಕಾಲ್-3/1256/2024-25 ದಿ:31.01.2025
(5) ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:05ಕಾಲ್-2/1257/2024-25 ದಿ:01.02.2025
(6) ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:04ಕಾಲ್-3/1285/2024-25 ದಿ: 03.02.2025
(7) ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:02ಕಾಲ್-4/1284/2024-25 ದಿ:03.02.2025

ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥಾಪಕ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರು, ಕ.ನೀ.ನಿ.ನಿ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಇವರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್, ಕ.ನೀ.ನಿ.ನಿ, ನಂ.3 ಭದ್ರಾ ನಾಲಾ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಮಲೇಬೆನ್ನೂರು ಇಂದ ಉಲ್ಲೇಖಿತ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಲೆಕ್ಕ ಶೀರ್ಷಿಕೆ 4701-ಭದ್ರಾ ಮತ್ತು 2700-ಆರ್.ಅಂಡ್.ಎಂ. ಅಡಿಗಳಲ್ಲಿನ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಏಕ ಮತ್ತು ದ್ವಿ ಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಡಿ ಕೆಪಿಪಿಪಿ-ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಶೇಕಡಾವಾರು ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಕೆಪಿಪಿಪಿ-ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ **(https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)** ಮುಖಾಂತರವೇ ದಿ: 06.02.2025ರಿಂದ ಡೌನಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಂಡು ದಿ:15.02.2025ರ ಸಂಜೆ 4.30ಘಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಕುರಿತು ಸ್ಪಷ್ಟೀಕರಣಕ್ಕೆ ಮತ್ತು ಪ್ರೀ ಬಿಡ್ ಸಭೆಯನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ:12.02.2025 ರಂದು 12.00 ಘಂಟೆಗೆ ವಿಭಾಗ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ವಿಳಾಸದಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ ಹಾಗೂ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ/ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 17.02.2025 ರಂದು 12.00 ಘಂಟೆ ಆಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಒಟ್ಟು ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ :- 10 ಸಂಖ್ಯೆಗಳು.

(1) KNNL/2024-25/BR/WORK_ INDENT2570 ರೂ. 99.89 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳು
(2) KNNL/2024-25/BR/WORK_ INDENT2577 ರೂ. 99.90 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳು
(3) KNNL/2024-25/IW/W_ INDENT2586/CALL-2 ರೂ. 97.96 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳು
(4) KNNL/2024-25/BR/W_ INDENT2161/CALL-2 ರೂ. 74.81 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳು
(5) KNNL/2024-25/OW/W_ INDENT2191/CALL-2 ರೂ. 74.98 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳು
(6) KNNL/2024-25/RD/WORK_ INDENT2187/Call-3 ರೂ. 3.67 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳು
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ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEARING NOTIFICATION

M/s. C.H. Veeraraju & Co.,has proposed to undertake Building Stone Quarrying project of production capacity 4,00,613 TPA in the total land Area of 10-06.08 Acres (Patta Land) at Sy.Nos.202/1,2,3&5 of Nandikurali Village, Raibag Taluk, Belagavi District. This project proposal falls under cluster location as per the Office Memorandum issued by the MoEF&CC, GoI vide No. F. No.L-11011/p175/2018-IA-II(M) dated:12.12.2018.

As per the Environment Impact Assessment Notification dated: **14.09.2006** and Amendment dated: **01.12.2009**, the project proponent has to obtain prior Environmental Clearance from the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority and is required to go through the process of Environmental Public Hearing. As per the Terms of Reference (ToR) letter No.SEIAA 69 MIN 2024 dated:**16.08.2024** issued by the SEIAA, Karnataka and request letter of the project proponent dated:**26.11.2024** and the Environmental Officer (A/c), Regional Office, Belagavi-2 (Chikkodi) letter dated:**24.01.2025** intimating the date, the Environmental Public Hearing is being conducted by the KSPCB.

The details of the project are as follows:

1. Name & Address of the Project Proponent : M/s. C.H. Veeraraju & Co.,Managing Partner, Sri. S.V.Sathyanarayana Reddy, No.201/2, Raibag Road, Nandikurali,Raibag Taluk, Belagavi District-590015.

2.Location of the proposed Quarry Project : Sy. Nos. 202/1, 2, 3 & 5 of Nandikurali Village, Raibag Taluk, Belagavi District.

3.Details of proposed Project : Proposed to undertake Building Stone Quarrying project of production capacity 4,00,613TPA in the total land Area of 10-06.08 Acres, which is a Patta Land.

4.Date, time and venue of Environmental Public Hearing : Date : 12.03.2025 (Wednesday) Time: 11:00AM Place:Project site, M/s. C.H. Veeraraju & Co., Sy. Nos. 202/1, 2, 3 & 5, Nandikurali Village, Raibag Taluk, Belagavi District.

5. Places of availability of project documents as per EIA Notification, which is kept open to public are : (a) Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Belagavi District, Belagavi. (b) Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Panchayat, Belagavi District, Belagavi. (c) District Industries Centre, Belagavi District, Belagavi. (d) Thasildar Office, Raibag Taluk, Belagavi District. (e) Gram Panchayat Office, Nandikurali Gram Panchayat, RaibagTaluk. (f) Office of the Regional Office, Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Belagavi-2 (Chikkodi). (g) SEIAA Karnataka (Ecology and Environment), Department of Forest, Ecology and Environment, Government of Karnataka, Room No. 709, 7th Floor, 4th Gate, MS Building, Bengaluru – 560 001. (h) HELP DESK, Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Ground Floor, No. 49, Parisara Bhavana, Church Street, Bengaluru – 560 001.

Note: Suggestions, views, comments and objections of interested bonafide residents, environmental groups and others located at project site and likely to be affected by the proposed project are invited within 30 days from the date of publication of this Notification to make oral/written/E-Mail suggestions to the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board/Chairman, Environmental Public Hearing Committee (Deputy Commissioner, Belagavi District,Belagavi). Interested public can participate in the Public Hearing at the above place. For details please visit our Website: **https://kspcb.karnataka.gov.in/.**

Sd/-
Member Secretary

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B'desh lodges protest with India after Hasina calls for resistance

Bangladesh lodged strong protest over deposed leader Sheikh Hasina's virtual address to her supporters from exile in India. Hasina urged her supporters to organise a resistance against the current regime. "Remember that history takes its revenge," Hasina said in the virtual address. Angered, a mob vandalised and set fire to her father Mujibur Rahman's house and those of several leaders of her Awami League party | **P12**

US GOVT'S SOP, SAYS CENTRE AMID OUTRAGE OVER HANDCUFFING

JAYANTH JACOB @New Delhi

AMID protests over Indians being deported in handcuffs, External Affairs Minister **S Jaishankar** told the Rajya Sabha on Thursday that the use of restraints has been part of the standard operating procedure (SOP) of the US, adding India is engaging with the Trump administration to ensure deportees are not mistreated.

Both Houses of Parliament saw intense protests from opposition members over the "deeply distressing and humiliating" manner in which illegal migrants were deported.

"We are, of course, engaging the US government to ensure that the returning deportees are not mistreated in any manner during the flight. At the same time, the House will appreciate that our focus should be on a strong crackdown on the illegal migration industry, while taking steps to ease visas for legitimate travellers," the minister said.

Jaishankar stated that a total of 15,688 illegal immigrants have returned to India from 2009 to February 2025, including the 104 deported on Wednesday, and emphasised that it is the obligation of all countries to take back their nationals if found living illegally abroad. "It is the obligation of all countries to take back their nationals, if they are found to be living illegally abroad. This is naturally subject to an unambiguous verification of their nationality. This is not a policy applicable to any specific country, nor indeed one only practiced by India. It is a general accepted principle in international relations," he said.

Defending the Centre, Jaishankar stated, "The process of deportation is not new." He clarified that the SOP for deportation by aircraft for ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement of US Homeland Security) since 2012, includes the use of restraints but added that India has been informed by ICE that women and children are not restrained.

Both Houses were adjourned until noon after MPs from the Congress, Trinamool, AAP and the Left submitted adjournment notices under Rule 267, which calls for setting aside scheduled business. All the notices were rejected, sparking intense protests from opposition lawmakers, many of whom stood in their seats and shouted their objections. Rajya Sabha Deputy Chair Harivansh Narayan Singh ordered the striking of MPs' remarks from the record. **P10**

Congress leader Rahul Gandhi speaks during a protest by DMK's student wing against the UGC's draft rules, at Jantar Mantar in New Delhi on Thursday | PTI

Protests on UGC draft grow, feedback deadline extended

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @New Delhi

AMIDST political slugfest over the revised UGC draft regulations on the appointment of faculty and academic staff in universities and colleges, the UGC on Thursday extended the deadline for public feedback on them to February 28. A day after six non-BJP ruled states sought immediate withdrawal of the draft, INDIA-bloc parties escalated the issue.

Addressing the DMK student wing protest, LoP in Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi said an attempt is being made to push the RSS agenda to achieve its idea of imposing "one history, one tradition, one language" on the country. Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan said, "It is both unfortunate and concerning to see how some political leaders twist progressive educational reforms...,"

Congress has history of handcuffing opponents, curbing free speech: PM

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR
@ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday launched a broadside against the Congress during his reply to the Motion of Thanks to the President's address in the Rajya Sabha. Citing instances of Bollywood artists being harassed during the Emergency for refusing to toe the government line, he said the Congress has a history of suppressing freedom of speech and stifling dissent.

"When Dev Anand ji refused to publicly endorse the Emergency, his films were banned on Doordarshan," Modi said. He also accused the Congress of banning Kishore Kumar's songs from All India Radio after the singer declined to support the Congress. "No one can forget those days of the Emergency," he said.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi speaking in the Rajya Sabha on Thursday | PTI

Modi also referred to the arrest of poet Majrooh Sultanpuri and actor Balraj Sahni when Jawaharlal Nehru was the prime minister. Recalling how Nehru crushed freedom of speech during a strike called by mill workers in Mumbai, Modi said Sultanpuri was jailed just because he recited a poem at the worker's meet. Similarly, Bollywood actor Balraj Sahni was imprisoned on flimsy grounds.

Stepping up his attack on the Congress, Modi further alleged that legendary playback singer Lata Mangeshkar's brother Hridaynath Mangeshkar was banned from performing on Akashvani for life after he recited a poem on Veer Savarkar.

Also, famous Bollywood figures such as Dev Anand and Kishore Kumar were also targeted for opposing the Emergency, he added.

Taunting the Congress, Modi said the word 'Constitution' does not suit the party, which when in power handcuffed tall leaders like George Fernandes and many others.

Technical glitches delay SpaDeX undocking

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

TECHNICAL issues have erupted on ISRO's first Space Docking Experiment (SpaDeX) mission, with the two spacecraft, SDX-01 and SDX-02, unable to undock.

The two had autonomously docked (get attached to each other) on January 16 — nine days after the initial plan of docking on January 7. Now, the undocking of these satellites, planned to be done by January-end or February first week, is also facing delays due to technical issues. A senior ISRO scientist involved in the SpaDeX mission informed *TNIE* that it is "likely to happen only in March-April".

Undocking is the separation of two spacecraft, and although SpaDeX is a trial docking/undocking mission, separating the two is extremely crucial in a live mission for successfully meeting its objectives. "Power generation in the two spacecraft is not matching the requirements, and the composite control of both is also taking time due to which the undocking cannot be done," he said.

SDX-01 and SDX-02, which have remained docked since January 16, carry some new technologies for docking/undocking mechanisms. These include a suite of four rendezvous and docking sensors; power transfer technology; an inter-satellite communication link (ISL) for autonomous communication between SDX-01 and SDX-02, incorporated with inbuilt intelligence to know the states of the other spacecraft; and Global Navigation Satellite System-based novel Relative Orbit Determination and Propagation processor to determine the relative position and velocity of the other spacecraft. **P7**

PSLV-C60 rocket, with the SpaDeX payload, launched on Dec 30 | ISRO

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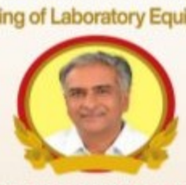

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IAF's Surya Kiran Aerobatic team performs at the rehearsal at Yelahanka Air Force Station in Bengaluru on Thursday; Spectators brave dust and a blazing at the Air Display Viewing Area (ADVA), which is designated for the public to watch the air show | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Skies thrill but venue disappoints

Dust, scorching sun, lack of shelter, water counters, inaudible loudspeakers irk spectators

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

THE full dress rehearsal ahead of the five-day long biennial Aero India-2025 on February 6, left visitors mixed with emotions. While many were enthused by sorties of Rafale, Su-30MKI, Dhruv and Hawk-MK132 aircrafts, others voiced frustration over the frequent dust storms and lack of facilities at the Air Display Viewing Area (ADVA).

Organised by the Ministry of Defence, the dress rehearsal saw Indian Airforce pilots showcasing their skills in preparation for the upcoming five-day biennial event. The highlight of the day was the interaction of the Ambassadors of the Indian Airforce-Surya Kiran Aerobatics Team (SKAT) pilots. They waved to the onlooking crowd from their cockpits while taxiing before take-off to perform sorties on the Hawk-MK132. Their formation, which included the iconic tricolour and heart-with-an-arrow display drew loud cheers from the audience. Viewers were heard commenting- "It looks like he is claiming ownership of the sky, tackling his aircraft as if it were a toy and enjoying himself, oblivious to the crowd and the challenges."

Despite their excitement, many viewers expressed dissatisfaction with the lack of basic facilities such as shelters and water counters.

Speaking about the plight of the ADVA area, Indian Airforce and CISF staffers said, "The situation is the same every year. The ADVA area, which is designated for citizens to watch the air show lacks basic facilities." A CISF staffer on ground duty said, "People have been complaining about the lack of facilities over the years but there is nothing we can do about it."

On the other hand, heat and dust alongside the scorching sun made matters worse for visitors. "We pay to come and watch the air show, therefore the authorities must ensure proper facilities like seating and standing arrangements," said Jahnsi B, an agitated viewer.

Shobhojit L, another viewer was heard complaining about the rising dust. "Water sprinklers are used to control dust by the road and in school grounds but here the agencies are least bothered. This is shocking."

Others also complained of improper arrangements, especially lack of loudspeakers. "There were loudspeakers only in the two sheds but they were barely audible. Since most of us were standing outside, we did not know which aircraft was flying and where to look. There should be sufficient loudspeakers," suggested Paveen L, another onlooker.

The defence public relations team assured that sufficient speakers will be put up. "There were problems on Thursday as testing was going on." Pertaining to the use of water sprinklers, the team said adequate measures will be taken.

Metro's Airport Line work on IAF campus on hold

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

WITH Aero India 2025 to be held from February 10 to 14 at Air Force Station at Yelahanka, the Indian Air Force has asked Bengaluru Metro Rail Corporation (BMRC) to temporarily halt construction work near its premises for the next 11 days. Accordingly, BMRC stopped Airport Line work near Yelahanka, which falls within the IAF campus, from Wednesday night.

A top official told TNIE, "We received a written communication from IAF asking us to stop work from February 5 to 15 as they require the space where we are working, for parking. We shifted all our machinery and equipment last night and will restart work from February 16."

The Airport Line for 37km from KR Pura to KIA with 17 stations, has been split into three packages. The final package from Yelahanka to Terminal 2 stretching 15.01km, commences from the IAF campus.

Work has been halted for up to 1km here. "While this stretch runs at grade for 3.1km and the rest of the line is elevated, only a small portion of 750 metres near IAF goes underground. As this portion comes in the path of flights, there are restrictions in construction here. Hence, BMRCL is creating an underground tunnel in this portion, using cut and cover technology," he explained. The work involves excavating soil, then carrying out construction and later backfilling it.

In the third package, only one station, Doddajala, being built by BMRCL with two stations inside the airport being taken care of by airport operator BIAL. "Provisions for future stations like Bettahalasur and Chikkajala are also being provided from this line, but are not being built at present."

Almost 70 per cent of the civil works on this stretch have been completed, said another official. From the airport end, tracks have been laid for 2km, he added.

EXPRESS READ

Ambulance donated to Bannerghatta zoo

Bengaluru: Forest, environment and ecology department minister Eshwar B Khandre on Thursday handed over an ambulance, which was donated by Kauvery Hospitals to Bannerghatta Biological Park. Khandre said the ambulance will help provide timely treatment services to animals, visitors, staffers and locals staying around the zoo. The ambulance was donated by the hospital as part of its corporate social responsibility. It will also be used to transport medical equipment and materials in times of emergencies.

Pratheeksha Pawaskar, receives the 'Shri Siddaramaiah- 75 Amruth Mahotsav Gold Prize', for securing the highest marks in BA LLB, during the 105th annual convocation of University of Mysore on January 18. She was honoured by CM Siddaramaiah at his Mysuru residence on February 1

BIS hosts industry meet & workshop

Bengaluru: Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) organised an industrial meet and workshop on 'Recent developments in conformity assessment and standards promotion' on Thursday. The event brought together 30 large scale industries from Bengaluru and Mysuru. Additional director of the Department of Factories and Boilers, KG Nanjappa stressed the importance of such sessions in improving India's presence in global markets. He said teamwork in setting standards and ensuring compliance is essential for industrial growth and competitiveness.

'BBMP's sealing of illegal buildings publicity stunt'

MOHAMMED YACOOB @Bengaluru

BRUHAT Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike's recent act of sealing unauthorised constructions has come under scrutiny after a complainant alleged it was a mere publicity stunt for media coverage.

Annishyam a retired KRSP Sub-Inspector from Sanjay Nagar in Hebbal in East Zone said, "I filed a complaint when Manju Gowda, a liaison officer at Karnataka Bhavan in New Delhi started his illegal construction on the third floor two years ago. Though Town Planning AE Suresh and AEE of Hebbal subdivision Madhav Rao visited the spot, they did nothing to prevent the illegal constructions."

Following the Lokayukta's direction and in the wake of the death of nine construction workers in KR Puram, BBMP officials were instructed to crack down on illegal buildings. Acting on these orders and a Supreme Court directive, BBMP Town Planning officials sealed the building on January 4. However, Annishyam alleged that within a few days, the seal was removed by the building owner Manju Gowda.

"The BBMP's actions were just for photos and media publicity. In reality, no action has been initiated despite BBMP orders for demolition under section 356 of BBMP Act 2020. It seems the directives of Chief Commissioner Tushar Girinath and Supreme Court hold no value," said Annishyam.

He appealed to BBMP Zonal Commissioner Snehal R to direct officials to respect the Supreme Court's direction, seal the building, and remove unauthorised floors. "When it was my turn to submit the petition to the Chief Commissioner during the zonal meeting, he took a break. Instead Zonal Commissioner Snehal R received my complaint and assured that she would direct the concerned officials to file an FIR against the owner for breaking the seal and illegally entering the illegal floors," said the complainant.

The retired officer empahsised that his primary concern is the restoration of the setback area, which has been encroached upon by government officials.

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NEW-LOOK CANTT TO BE OPENED IN TWO PHASES, LIKELY TO MISS OCT DEADLINE

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

TO minimise inconvenience caused to the public in light of the ongoing redevelopment work at Bengaluru Cantonment Railway Station which is suffering delays, the South Western Railway Zone has decided to open the station in two phases. Another amenity being built for the public is a bridge linking both ends of the station, that will connect the Station Road with Millers Road, with no platform ticket required to use it.

The massive redevelopment project, being undertaken at a cost of Rs 480 crore, aims to transform Karnataka's oldest station into a world class one with superior passenger amenities.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the redevelopment work for this 161-year-old station on June 20, 2022, with October 2025 fixed as the completion deadline. However, it is unlikely to meet the deadline, sources said.

Ongoing construction work at Bengaluru Cantonment Railway Station | VINOD KUMAR T

"The main entrance to the station, known as the south side, will be launched initially. We are looking at opening the station building, which will be air-conditioned, within 6 to 7 months. This will offer much relief to the public," a senior Railway official said. However, it will open without the underground parking in place as it would take more time.

The north side or the back entry will take longer to be ready.

"Underground parking facility is being built at both the entries of the station which can totally house up to 500 cars and an equal number of two-wheelers," the official said. Ever since its inception, the station had parking facility only outside the premises of the buildings at both the entrances.

"The unpaid foot over bridge that will connect both roads of the station (Station Road with Millers Road) will be a boon to pedestrians. It will run to a length of 45m and a width of 5m," the official elaborated.

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> Senior Railway Official

Another standout feature of the redevelopment is the air concourse which is named since it literally stands in the air above the rail tracks. It runs to a length of 136m and a width of 30m, said another official, adding that the platforms 1A, B, C & D marked for operation of suburban trains will have a separate entry and exit to ensure easy accessibility.

Bengaluru Cantonment is also set to have escalators and lifts for the first time since its inception, he added. The station will also be integrated with Bengaluru Metro's Pink Line.

HAA introduces new helicopter turbine course

Bengaluru: To address the grow-ing demand for skilled helicopter maintenance engineers, Hindustan Aviation Academy introduced the DGCA CAR 147 Basic B1.3 Helicopter Turbine course. With India's helicopter fleet expected to triple in the coming years, the course aims to equip students with hands-on training and industry-relevant expertise using advanced technology. Dr KC Samuel, Chairman, HAA, inaugurated the course, alongside Wing Commander, Shankar R, Examination Manager, and Sateesh Mysore, Dean of Aviation Studies.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

07th February: The ongoing Neptune alignment is still raising personal questions. There's something about the mood of the times that encourages reckless people to imagine that they can get away with anything. There's a very simple solution: selflessness. Always help others without expecting anything in return!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
One important indication today may not be felt for weeks to come. A very unusual development is about to take place in your work, or in a partner's work. A threatened upheaval may be averted at the last moment, thanks in part to some slippery foot-work.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Your current situation is tough but favourable. It therefore looks very much as if it will be you who is able to face up to certain challenges, even to raise the stakes in a personal matter. You operate best as part of a team, so you may have to keep other people sweet - and on your side.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
Having established a definite rapport with a new friend or colleague, you must decide where to pursue things now. What is absolutely certain is that it is up to you to take the initiative, so no cowering in corners, please. You'll benefit from a generous and open-hearted approach.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
If I could draw your attention to the long-term pattern for a change, I'd like to point out that although you seem to be going nowhere fast at the moment, conditions will improve before long. In other words, you can sit it out and wait until circumstances alter.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
Your spirits are generally high, and will remain so as long as Jupiter is gracing you with its generous and sensitive gifts. Yet, unless you institute a routine which is both regular and designed to suit your very particular needs, you will experience bouts of exhaustion.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
Don't expect discussions to go like clockwork and take any frustrations in your stride. Ironically it could be you, even though you're normally so clear and efficient, who is now responsible for all those many minor misunderstandings. Tread carefully!

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
Close partners really will appreciate your quieter side at the moment, so you could be in luck. The Moon, though, is maintaining at least some sense that you should be more sociable and get out and about more often. You never know - someone new could make you feel a whole lot better.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
You are right to maintain high standards, if only because you have a better idea than most people of what needs to be done. But don't stick rigidly to inflexible ideas if they're not appropriate. You've got to seek out the best, and that might mean changing some of your cherished ideas.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
Rather than resist pressures to perform or do something you don't want to, you have a chance to experiment. If you wish, then you may take a deep breath, jump in at the deep end and encounter a whole new world. But will you like what you find? Time will tell!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
There is a very slight risk of opening up old wounds, largely stimulated by other people who may suddenly remember past grudges or resentments. It is, however, good that such memories be dealt with now. The sooner you get to grips with such questions, the better off you'll be.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
If you want to stay on the right side of partners, do make it clear that you're neither trying to stir them up nor hold them back. Indeed, a general hands-off approach might be the best way to handle those tricky relationships. Why not try to keep your emotional distance - and a detached perspective?

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Once again Mars' energetic influence comes into play. Don't allow any adverse criticism to unnerve you or make you alter long-term plans and arrangements. Stick to your course, gathering whatever support you need. It's amazing how much credit you have built up - and soon you'll be able to call on it.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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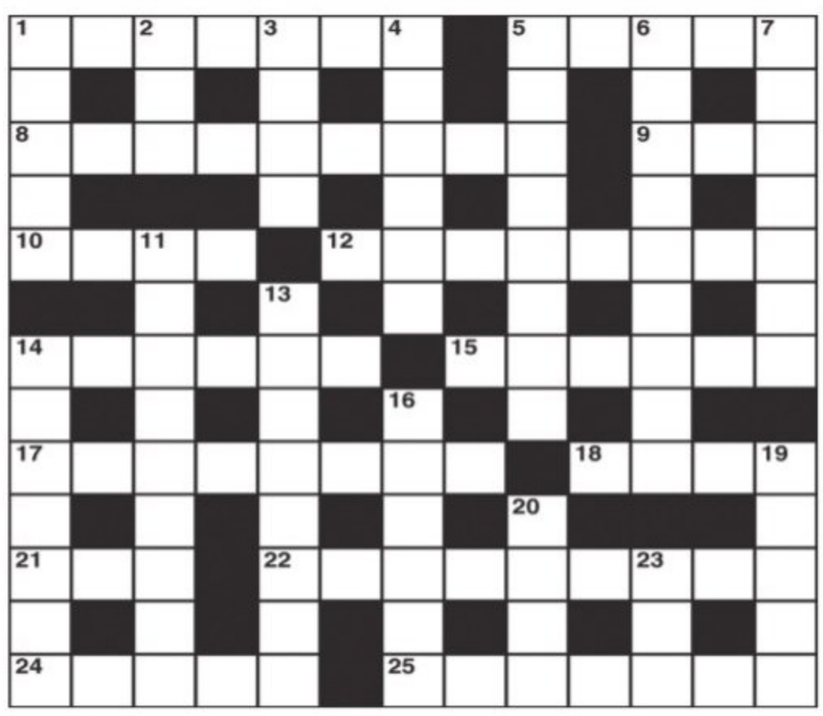
SUDOKU EASY

TEST YOUR NUMBER CRUNCHING SKILL WITH OUR UNIQUE PUZZLE

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.



CROSS WORD

ACROSS

1 Train to be articulate (7)
5 It stoops to conquer (5)
8 Wild hounds bark for water guarded by Labrador (6,3)
9 Dismissed for being in error (3)
10 Pet that's all the fashion (4)
12 Separate - that's abundantly clear (8)
14 The manuscript is about Eastern subjects (6)
15 Married girl from spite (6)
17 Fixed menus that could be meatless (3,5)
18 Where to see the Taj Mahal in a gracious setting (4)
21 We start with nothing and get into debt (3)
22 It is meant for close friends (9)
24 Try to give a commentary (5)
25 Revive with a little relaxation and a mineral (7)

DOWN

1 The number could be three (5)
2 It's evacuated during the shelling (3)
3 School bill goes up (4)
4 Offer to surrender (6)
5 Tiny page possibly comes from Cairo (8)
6 Basic training results in pilot's suspension (9)
7 Rent it leasehold retaining name (7)
11 The grandeur of sergeants? (9)
13 Calm sentry that is becoming agitated (8)
14 US store distributes Indian silk material (7)
16 Result of changing into an overcoat (6)
19 A small island passage (5)
20 He rings mother up first (4)
23 To love immoderately (3)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Panicled, 5 Arid, 9 Motto, 10 Brought, 11 Moneylenders, 13 Resort, 14 Invade, 17 Sealed orders, 20 Insider, 21 Edith, 22 Gynt, 23 Bedstead.

Down: 1 Pump, 2 Notions, 3 Close friends, 4 Embalm, 6 Rogue, 7 Detested, 8 Morning dress, 12 Dressing, 15 Airline, 16 Course, 18 Arson, 19 Chid.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

CAKAB

DUTIA

CANNUE

RSHCCO

I don't think we're going to get in tonight.
I told you we should have bought the tickets online.
12/13
THE LINE TO BUY TICKETS FOR THE MOVIE WAS SO LONG THAT THEY DIDN'T ---
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: NOISY KNOCK OBLIGE GLADLY
Answer: He was leaving for the airport, and their goodbye was turning into a — LONG SO LONG

THE NEW INDIAN EXPRESS

BENGALURU

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Rajarathna Ambedkar, the great grandson of the architect of the Constitution, Dr B R Ambedkar, said casteism is a curse on this country and everyone should take an oath to build a casteless society. He participated in the Swabhimani Samavesha held at Aldur, Chikkamagaluru, on Thursday

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SIBLINGS ABDUCTED FROM SCHOOL IN RAICHUR VILLAGE, GIRL RAPED

Accused had previously attempted to rape women, children

Members of progressive organisations submit a memorandum to Tahsildar Raju Pirangi in Potnal of Raichur district on Thursday | EXPRESS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Raichur

IN a shocking incident, an eight-year-old schoolgirl from Muddamguddi village, Manvi taluk in Raichur district, was allegedly abducted from her school by a man from the same village, and raped on Wednesday. As soon as the incident came to light, police arrested the accused, Shivanagouda (36) and the school headmaster, Raju Talikoti.

Shivanagouda reportedly abducted the girl and her four-year-old brother from the school, located in Potnal village, near Muddamguddi, during the break and took them on his bike to a construction site on the outskirts of the village. According to sources, he gave his mobile phone to the boy to keep him engaged, and took the girl inside the construction site and allegedly raped her. Later, the accused took the girl and her brother back to the village and left them there. Based on a complaint by the girl's parents, police arrested the accused and the headmaster. The girl was taken to a local hospital for treatment soon after the case was registered at Manvi police station. According to Superintendent of Police Puttamadaiah, both the arrested have been remanded in judicial custody.

According to sources, Shivanagouda is speech-impaired, and took advantage of the sympathy he got from the villagers. He is said to have attempted to rape some women and children in the village whenever he found them alone at home. However, many of the victims did not disclose the incidents, fearing for their reputation, sources added.

Meanwhile, members of the Jagruta Mahila Sanghatana and other progressive organisations protested in Potnal town of Manvi taluk on Thursday, condemning the minor girl's rape. The protesters demanded that the accused be given strict punishment under the POCSO Act immediately. Schools should form child protection committees and instal CCTV cameras to prevent such crimes, they insisted, and submitted a memorandum to Tahsildar Raju Pirangi and BEO Chandrashekhar Doddamani.

2 die as fire engulfs under-construction building

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

IN a tragic fire outbreak at an under-construction three-storey building on Thursday morning, two workers were charred to death while three others escaped – two by jumping onto a coconut tree and the other taking refuge on an overhead tank. The incident took place near Seegehalli Gate on the outskirts of Bengaluru in Madanayakanahalli police station limits. It is suspected that the fire broke out following a gas cylinder leak or a short circuit.

The deceased have been identified as Uday Bhanu (40) from Uttar Pradesh and Roshan (23) from Bihar. At the time of the incident, five to six workers were carrying out carpentry and painting works in the building.

According to fire and emergency service officials, the Sunkadakatte fire station received an alert around 11.10 am of a fire at the building in Shivani Green Layout on Magadi Main Road.

When the fire broke out, five workers were on the second and third floors. Of the three workers, one climbed onto the overhead water tank. He was later rescued

Roshan

Uday Bhanu

by firefighters. Two others jumped onto an adjacent coconut tree and climbed down safely. Two workers were trapped in the blaze on the second and third floors of the building and were charred to death, officials said.

The officials added that the workers were staying in the building and were cooking. As the fire spread rapidly, additional fire tenders from Peenya and Rajajingar, along with a State Disaster Rescue Force (SDRF) team, rushed to the spot. It took the firefighters over four hours to completely douse the blaze. While clearing the debris, they recovered the charred bodies of the two workers. The exact cause of the fire is yet to be determined.

The Madanayakanahalli police have registered a case against the building owner, Sathish.

CRAFTING A LIVING

An artisan crafts a traditonal bamboo stool on Palace Road in Bengaluru on Thursday | ALLEN EGENUSE J

Form committee to study responsibilities of central, state govts for strong public edu: Forum

Bengaluru: Welcoming the resolution passed by the Education Ministers' Conference in Karnataka to reject the UGC Draft Regulations (2025), the People's Alliance for Fundamental Right to Education (PAFRE) demanded the formation of a high-level committee to study the respective responsibilities of the central and state governments in building a strong public education system. The organisation further suggested that the committee refers to the recommendations of Justice Madan Mohan Punchhi Commission (2007-2010) and earlier reports on centre-state relations. PAFRE argued that such consensus-driven guidelines would enable statutory bodies like NCERT, UGC, NCTE, CBSE, NAAC, AICTE, and NIOS to formulate policies, rules, and laws in alignment with the federal principles of the Constitution. Without such a framework, the organisation warned that these conferences risk becoming mere political battles between the centre and states. **ENS**

HC rejects CBI's plea, upholds discharge of SI from IMA scam

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

THE Karnataka High Court upheld the discharge of then sub-inspector of Commercial Street Police Station, Gowri Shankar, by a special court in the case registered over the multi-crore I Monitory Advisory (IMA) ponzi scam. Justice M Nagaprasanna passed the order dismissing the revision petition filed by the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) against the discharge order dated July 15, 2024, passed by the Special Court for CBI cases.

The high court said the special court, exercising its jurisdiction, passed an order of discharge by considering the entire spectrum of allegations against the sub-inspector and holds that except a diary noting with an entry 'Gowri-Vaseem Bhai' in an excel sheet, nothing else was found against him.

It was alleged that Gowri Shankar, now at Jeevan Bima Nagar police station, demanded and accepted illegal gratification on various occasions from Mohammed Mansoor Khan through Vaseem to favour IMA, for not taking action on various complaints registered against the firm.

The CBI filed a chargesheet against Gowri Shankar under the IPC, Karnataka Protection of Interest of Depositors in Financial Establishments Act, 2004, and Prevention of Corruption Act. After filing the chargesheet, arraigning him as accused No.28, he approached the special court to discharge him from the case. The special court held that there was no evidence to hold him prima facie guilty of the offences. Therefore, CBI moved the high court against the order of discharge, on the ground that the special court discharged the accused though there was abundant material to pin down the sub-inspector.

Bitcoin scam: Nalapad appears before SIT

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

KARNATAKA Pradesh Youth Congress Committee president **Mohammed Haris Nalapad** on Thursday appeared before the Special Investigation Team (SIT) of the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) in connection with the Bitcoin scam. The SIT issued a fresh second notice to Nalapad, son of Congress MLA from Shantinagar NA Haris, for questioning regarding his alleged links to hacker Srikrishna Ramesh alias Sriki, the main accused in the Bitcoin scam.

Nalapad was quizzed for over two hours and told to appear for questioning again on Friday. It was reported that before appearing for questioning, Nalapad visited Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar's house.

Home Minister G Parameshwara told reporters said the questioning was part of the investigation, and the investigation officer may call anyone linked to the scam. It is said the notice to Nalapad comes at a time when the SIT is in the process of finalizing two chargesheets in the Bitcoin scam about the involvement of police officers, and alleged embezzlement of cryptocurrency after Sriki's arrest in November 2020.

Nalapad and his brother Omar Haris were questioned in June 2024 over two days in connection with the payments made by them for expenses incurred by hacker Sriki.

Speaking to reporters post the questioning, Nalapad said the SIT had issued a notice asking him to appear for questioning on Friday. "Due to personal reasons, I appeared before the investigating officers on Thursday itself and faced the inquiry. I am not going anywhere or attempting to escape. I have no fear of being arrested in this case. I have answered the investigators' questions. I was introduced to Sriki through my brother. Until now, neither I nor my brother have received any money from Sriki's bank account.

EXPRESS READ

Five burglars break into three stores, flee with over Rs 1 lakh

A gang of five burglars targeted three department stores on Cholourapalya Road in KP Agrahara police station limits early Thursday morning and looted cash of over Rs 1 lakh in total. The police said the break-ins took place around 4.30 am on Thursday. The burglars arrived on two scooters, broke open the store shutters and stole only cash. They stole Rs 1 lakh from a medical store, Rs 3,000 from a bakery and Rs 4,000 from a milk parlour. However, only the medical store owner has filed a complaint. The police added that the incident was captured by CCTV cameras. **ENS**

RECRUITMENT ADVERTISEMENT

Applications are invited for four **Project Technical Assistant** positions in the **John C. Martin Center for Liver Research & Innovations.** Please see : **https://jcmlri.edu.in/vacancy**. The last date of filing applications is **February 23, 2025.**

PUBLIC NOTICE

FOR LOST DOCUMENT

My Client Mrs. ABUDEVI, W/o Late. Jayaram Devasi, R/at No.114, 10feet Road, Kanaka Nagar, Fayazbad, J. P. Nagar, Bengaluru - 560 078, has irretrievable lost the Sale deed 20/01/2014, Registered as Document No: BSK-1-11107-2013-14, at the office of the sub registrar Banashankari. My Client has Lodged a Police Complaint for lost article on 30/01/2025 under acknowledgment issued by the Bangalore City Police, bearing SL No.1455071, Lost Report No.1455071/2025.

If any person/s found the said sale deed please come forward with in a period of 7 days from the date of publication of this notice and hand over the same to the under signed, will be suitably rewarded. If anyone has already carried out any transaction or any transaction is in the process of being carried out using the missing document, kindly inform the undersigned party in writing at the below mentioned address within 07 days from this paper publication. Else there won't be any further claims thereon.

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All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Site bearing No. 18, Serial No.1733, formed in Converted Sy No.77, (converted vide official memorandum bearing No. ALN (SU) SR 142/2007-08, dated 04/10/2008 passed by Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District Bangalore) measuring East to West (45+36)/2feet and North to South 30feet, totally measuring about 1212 Square feet, Situated at Kaggalipura Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore; East by : Road, West by : Govt Halla, North by : Plot No.19, South by : Plot No.17;

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BEFORE THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER BANGALORE NORTH SUB DIVISION AT BANGALORE

R.A.(YLK) No. 37/2025

BETWEEN : 1) Sri. NARAYANASWAMY, S/o. Late Muniyamma, Aged about 70 years, R/at No.161, Geddalahalli RMV 2nd Stage, Sanjay Nagar Bangalore - 560094.

2) Sri. SIDDAPPA .S.C, S/o. Late Chowdamma, Aged about 55 years, R/at No.255, Jayanagar Nelamangala Post, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengalure Rural-562123. ...Appellants

AND : 1. The Spl. Tahsildar, Taluk Taluk Yelahanka.

2. JAYASHREE H KANKANAWADI, W/o. late Krishnappa No.106, 2nd Main, Kengeri Satelite Town, Near Shreya Hospital Kengeri, Bengaluru-560060. ...Respondents

SUIT SUMMONS AND NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANTS

JAYASHREE H KANKANAWADI W/o. late Krishnappa No.106, 2nd Main Kengeri Satelite Town, Near Shreya Hospital Kengeri, Bengaluru-560060. ...Respondent No.2

WHEREAS, the Appellant have instituted the above appeal under section 136(2) of Karnataka Land Revenue Act against you in the above appeal, you are hereby directed to appear before this Hon'ble Court in person or through an Advocate/Pleader **on 07/02/2025 At 11.00 am** to answer the same inspite of this summons and notice, if you fail to appear on that day, the above suit/ application will disposed of exparte.

Given under my hand and seal of this court on 06.02.2025

By order of the Court
Advocate for Appellant :
K. ANAND KUMAR, Advocate
No.45, L & T Layout, Amruthahalli, Bangalore.

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES
[proviso to rule 9(1)]

E-Auction SALE NOTICE for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

NOTICE is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd.,Sarjapur Road Branch, will be sold by holding e-auction on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **24-02-2025**, for recovery of **Rs. 16,50,000/-** (Rupees Sixteen Lakh Fifty Thousand Only) due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. from **Mrs.Preethi S M** (Borrowers), as on 06-02-2025, together with further interest and other charges thereon. The reserve price will be **Rs.16,00,000/-**(Rupees Sixteen Lakh Only) and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.1,60,000/-**(Rupees One Lakh Sixty Thousand Only)

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Place: Bangalore
Date: 06.02.2025

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ADMISSION ANNOUNCEMENT-2025

I. MASTER OF SCIENCE COURSES

Issue of application forms starts on	: 10th February, 2025
Last date for issue of application forms by post	: 10th March, 2025
Last date for issue of application forms from Institute /Institute's Bank counter	: 10th March, 2025
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Date of admission test	: 04th May, 2025

The dates may be changed at the discretion of the university authorities.

a) **M.Sc. Forestry (43 Seats): *Eligibility:*** Three years Bachelor's degree in science with at least one of the subjects namely Botany, Chemistry, Geology, Mathematics, Physics, Zoology or a Bachelor's degree in Agriculture or Forestry.

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c) **M.Sc. Environment Management (43 Seats): *Eligibility:*** Three years Bachelor's degree in any branch of basic or applied Sciences or Bachelor's Degree in Forestry or Agriculture or BE/B.Tech in Environment Science.

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Karnataka Pradesh Youth Congress Committee president Mohammed Haris Nalapad on Thursday appeared before the Special Investigation Team of the Criminal Investigation Department in connection with the Bitcoin scam

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah holds a meeting with Industries Minister MB Patil and officials in Bengaluru on Thursday

AFTER A BREAK, CM BACK TO BIZ WITH MARATHON BUDGET MEETS

Grants for guarantees, new projects, hike in taxes on Siddu's mind

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AFTER a much-needed break of four days recuperating from knee pain, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah returned with a gusto, attending marathon meetings with various department heads ahead of the state budget. Set to present his 16th budget, a historic feat, the CM convened day-long meetings with 13 departments on Thursday.

At his official residence, Siddaramaiah deliberated with the ministers of home, large and small scale industries, infrastructure, small industries, energy, PWD, labour, education, food and civil supplies, women and child welfare, cooperation, sericulture and animal husbandry as well as the officials concerned in back-to-back meetings from 11.15 am to 7.45 pm.

The CM will have his work cut out as the budget, which is expected to cross Rs 4 lakh crore this year, has to allocate significant grants to continue the government's ambitious guarantee schemes. As no major schemes or projects were announced last year, Siddaramaiah is expected to include a few this time. The government is also planning to increase some categories of taxes to mobilise additional revenue.

Siddaramaiah is under pressure from lawmakers, especially from the Congress, to allocate funds for developmental works in their constituencies. The pre-budget meeting will be held from Thursday to February 14, where the CM will interact with officials and ministers.

Speaking to reporters, PWD Minister Satish Jarkiholi said they have sought more grants for their department. "We have placed proposals for new projects as well as sought funds for bills that have yet to be paid to contractors," he said.

Industry Minister MB Patil said he and his department officials explained the proposed projects in detail to the CM.

The budget presentation is likely on March 7. It will be decided in the next cabinet meeting, according to sources from the Chief Minister's Office.

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Satish Jarkiholi, PWD Minister

BYV says will reply after state chief polls

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KARNATAKA BJP president BY Vijayendra on Thursday said that he will respond to his detractors in the party after the election process for the state president's post is completed. The election process is expected to be completed by February 20.

Hitting out at those attacking him and his father BS Yediyurappa and "neutral" leaders who have maintained stoic silence over the power struggle in Karnataka BJP, Vijayendra said, "I am aware of the statements made by some of the leaders of my party. I did not react to their statements as it would have embarrassed the party and our workers," he told the media.

Replying to the verbal attack by his main critic, BJP MLA Basanagouda Patil Yatnal, and his associates on Yediyurappa, Vijayendra issued a warning, albeit in a subtle manner. "After elections to the party chief's post conclude, I will reply to their statements one by one. The election process will start anytime soon, and there are indications that it will be over by February 20," he said.

Vijayendra said that he felt let down by the attitude of senior leaders in the party, including those identified as neutral, for not coming in support of Yediyurappa.

"Those leaders who claim to be neutral should first shut the mouths of those who are humiliating Yediyurappa. I am ready to bear any insult. But I cannot tolerate when they insult my father, who worked for the party's growth in the state. Should party national leaders come to fix all these issues? Aren't they (neutral leaders) responsible? I am not saying that neutral leaders are backing the rebels...," he thundered.

He warned that those who don't come out in support of Yediyurappa will face the wrath of party workers.

On former minister B Sriramulu claiming that Vijayendra lacked experience to lead the party in the state, the latter said that he has enough experience as a party worker and office bearer for the last 18-20 years.

Vijayendra claimed that despite being a first-time MLA, he had successfully led the party for a year by taking out a padayatra against Chief Minister Siddaramaiah in the MUDA case and launching a struggle against the ST Corporation irregularities, rejecting the allegation of adjustment politics. "I am satisfied with my work as the president, and the party's workers also feel the same," he added.

There is no truth in the rumours that the high command or BJP national general secretary (organisation) BL Santhosh are supporting the rebels. In 8 to 10 days, the high command's stand will be clear (on state party chief selection), and the issue will be resolved on a happy note

– BY Vijayendra, K'taka BJP president

REBEL CAMP HOPES TO ROPE IN SOMANNA NOW

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI @ Bengaluru

THE BJP rebel camp is leaving no stone unturned in its mission to oust BY Vijayendra from the state BJP president's post. Leaders making frequent trips to New Delhi are now attempting to rope in Union Minister of State for Railways and Jal Shakti **V Somanna** to take up their cause.

They are planning a meeting of Veerashaiva-Lingayat community leaders, including MLAs and MPs, on February 10, on the sidelines of Somanna's housewarming event for his official quarters in New Delhi. Somanna, a proven anti-Yediyurappa camp member, was also in the race to become state president. Now, the rebels led by senior leader Basanagouda Patil Yatnal are trying to capitalise on it. They may convince Somanna, also a strong community leader with the backing of religious mutts, to take up the party's chief post.

On Wednesday, they discussed a strategy on these lines with former chief minister and Haveri MP Basavaraj Bommai at his residence in New Delhi, according to sources. If Somanna accedes to becoming the state unit president with the high command's support, it would help Bommai get inducted into PM Narendra Modi's cabinet. But Somanna is unlikely to accept the plan as he is happy with the post of central minister, a source said.

Some leaders who were invited for the housewarming ceremony, mostly members of the anti-Vijayendra camp, are likely to attend it.

Somanna clarified to TNIE over phone that he has only invited the leaders for the event. "It is a rumour that I am hosting a meeting for the rebels. I will only follow whatever instructions the party high command gives me," he said.

Bommai expresses displeasure over internal bickering in BJP

Bengaluru: BJP MP and former CM Basavaraj Bommai expressed displeasure over the internal bickering in the party. It is unfortunate that there is internal bickering in the party at a time when people are in distress and incidents of violence and suicides in the state are increasing owing to the misgovernance of the ruling Congress, he said on Thursday. The party, under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, is providing efficient governance to the entire nation, he stated. The decisions of the central leadership are final, and he does not believe in factionalism. The question of him calling for a meeting of any particular group does not arise, he said. The BJP MP stated that both factions should resolve the differences through discussions under the guidance of senior BJP leaders, including former CM BS Yediyurappa. If this is not possible, they must all abide by the decision of the central leadership, he stated. Bommai expressed optimism that the senior leadership will soon focus on the developments in the state BJP, hold discussions with all key leaders and take an appropriate decision. **ENS**

Cong govt diverted SC, ST funds for polls: Gowda

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FORMER prime minister HD Deve Gowda on Thursday took the Congress government in Karnataka to task, accusing it of diverting funds meant for the welfare of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and using it for elections.

"In Karnataka, money earmarked for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes has been diverted and used for election purposes... An officer committed suicide," the former PM said in the Rajya Sabha amid objections from Congress MPs.

Former PM HD Deve Gowda makes a point in the Rajya Sabha in New Delhi on Thursday | PTI

Showing the papers that he was referring to, Gowda said he would authenticate and hand them over.

Gowda said AICC president and Leader of Opposition in the Rajya Sabha Mallikarjuna Kharge has advised his ministers, Deputy Chief Minister and Chief Minister in Karnataka.

"Kharge ji himself had advised his ministers. The paper cutting is here. Kharge ji may feel bad if I read what advice he had given to his ministers," he said.

Hitting out at the state government over corruption, the former PM said, "How many officers have committed suicide? You people are watching. If I tell the truth, it is very difficult for you to digest."

The former PM said drinking water in Bengaluru city is a major problem. The city's population is over 1.45 crore and only 20 tmc water has been allotted, he said and added that the city needs over 50 tmc.

Gowda said only Prime Minister Narendra Modi can solve the problem. "I begged Manmohan Singh. But he said he can't (solve the problem). Only Modi ji can solve the problem," he said.

BJP leader R Ashoka meets the family of the woman and her son who died by suicide due to harassment from a microfinance firm, in Malavlli taluk on Thursday

Ashoka says 30 died by suicide after harassment by microfinance firms

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LEADER of Opposition in the Assembly R Ashoka on Thursday met the family of the woman and her son who died by suicide after a microfinance firm seized their house at Konapura village in Malavlli taluk recently, and promised to prevail upon the government to extend all support.

The deceased had taken Rs 6 lakh loan from a microfinance firm which seized their house after they failed to repay the loan. The family members accused the local police of being in nexus with employees of the firm and for forcing the family to leave the house along with a baby during the seizure. Manikya, the daughter of the deceased woman, appealed to the opposition leader for help.

The family also rued that no minister met them. "We are alive due to help from our relatives. We don't know how to pull along as we have nothing to fall back on," said Manikya.

Ashok assured the family that they would stand by them and put pressure on the government to provide them relief. He called Deputy Commissioner Kumar over phone and condemned the behaviour of the local police during the seizure of the house. He also demanded suspension of the women police personnel who dragged the family members out of the house on the pretext of executing court orders. The family members should have been given some time, he said.

Referring to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's announcement to push an ordinance to check harassment from microfinance firms, Ashoka claimed that over one lakh people have left their villages, including six families from Konapura village, fearing harassment from micro-financiers. He said the ordinance has been delayed and incidents of people dying by suicides have been reported across the state.

"Chief Minister Siddaramaiah claims to be pro-poor, but has failed to protect the interest of people and instil confidence," Ashoka said.

He also slammed opposition leader in the Rajya Sabha Mallikarjun Kharge for failing to raise the issue. "Around 24 micro-finance firms are operating in Mandya district and lending without any surety as people are not going to banks for loans. Micro-financiers are insisting on exorbitant interests violating the RBI guidelines. People are being forced to pay the Rs 2,000 given by the government under the Gruha Lakshmi scheme or the firms would tarnish the image of the borrowers and their family members in public. How did the government allow unauthorised micro-finance firms to operate?" he said.

Ashok said for the first time, 30 people have committed suicide due to harassment from micro-finance firms. He said the police and government officials should warn micro-financiers demanding high interest and harassing people and put them behind bars.

'Govt slow in fulfilling manifesto promises'

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

EDDELU Karnataka, the civil society movement which played a significant role in mobilizing public opinion against the communal agenda of the previous government, and inadvertently contributed to the Congress party's victory in 2023, is now growing impatient with the ruling party's slow pace in fulfilling its manifesto promises.

Tara Rao, member of the Central Working Group of Eddelu Karnataka, expressed her dissatisfaction with the state government's approach. "We are eagerly waiting for promises in the Congress manifesto to be fulfilled. They keep talking about implementing guarantees, but shouldn't they first deliver what they promised in the manifesto?" she told TNIE.

Among the key concerns raised by Eddelu Karnataka is the delay in repealing the contentious farm laws introduced by the previous government. The state Congress had vehemently opposed the laws while in the opposition, yet nearly 19 months into their tenure, the laws remain in place. "Surely it doesn't take this long to repeal farm laws that they themselves protested against," Rao remarked.

Eddelu Karnataka, which means 'Wake Up Karnataka', has expanded its reach beyond the state, with the movement branching out to other parts of the country. While its leaders continue to push for accountability from the current administration, there is a growing discontent among civil society groups.

Eddelu Karnataka has also been urging the Congress nationally, which is the largest opposition party to take up the issue of greater transparency in the electoral process. Rao said the Congress needs to take a firm stand. She said AICC issued an order to set up a monitoring committee just a few days ago but that is not a complete solution, the Congress should work nationally towards bringing in paper ballots. She said it was disappointing that the Congress has not taken a sufficiently strong stand on this.

Dr G: No need for debate on site for B'luru's 2nd airport

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EVEN as lobbying for the setting up of the second international airport in Bengaluru appears to be getting intense, Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara on Thursday said the debate over the choice of the site was unwarranted.

He said whether it should come up near Tumakuru, which he is advocating, or near Bidadi, which DCM D K Shivakumar is pitching for, is purely a technical issue.

"Why is there a debate on the issue of the second international airport in Bengaluru? Why are you debating it? The government will ultimately take a decision. It is a technical issue. It will be discussed and decided based on its pros and cons," he told reporters.

He said there is no need for so much speculation as the airport is an infrastructure project planned with the aim of benefiting the people of the state. "If it is built in Bidadi, it will be as beneficial as if it is built in Tumakuru. We have made our demand. There is no need to discuss and create confusion over this," he said.

EX-MIN SHETTY, 3 OTHERS GET 3 YRS JAIL FOR SBM LOAN SCAM

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A SPECIAL city court on Thursday sentenced former minister **S N Krishnaiah Shetty** and three others, who were accused of financial fraud in the then State Bank of Mysuru housing loan scam, to three years imprisonment with a fine.

Judge Santhosh Gajanan Bhat of the Special Court for the trial of criminal cases against sitting and former MPs and MLAs, passed the order. The case was probed by the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) which submitted a chargesheet against the accused, who defrauded SBM between 2003 to 2006, by creating false documents.

The court imposed a fine of Rs 5.25 lakh on Shetty and Rs 7.75 lakh on the other accused, MTV Reddy, an employee of the bank, who was also sentenced. The reasoning order is yet to be available.

Accepting the request of the sentenced persons, the court suspended the sentence for a month and granted them bail to enable them to file an appeal against the order.

According to the CBI, Krishnaiah Shetty, then minister for housing and muzrai, allegedly availed of housing loans from SBM using fake names, through Shree Balaji Krupa Enterprises, aided by the then chief manager, specialised personal banking branch, SBM, Gandhinagar.

It was alleged that by submitting fabricated salary certificates and Form 16 of several non-existent employees of BMTC, KSRTC, ITI, ADE, HAL, BEML, Nova Technologies and BSNL, Shetty and the other accused availed of 181 housing loans amounting to Rs 7.17 crore.

HC verdicts on Siddu, BSY cases today

Bengaluru: For both Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and his predecessor B S Yediyurappa, Friday will be a significant day as the Karnataka High Court will pronounce verdicts in separate petitions concerning them. In one case, the court will pronounce its judgment on a petition filed by Mysuru-based social activist Snehamayi Krishna seeking directions to entrust to the CBI the probe into the alleged irregularities in the allotment of compensatory sites to Siddaramaiah's wife B M Parvathy. Presently, the Lokayukta police are probing the case following the order passed by a special court to register the crime against Siddaramaiah, his wife, brother-in-law and others, on a private complaint filed by Snehamayi Krishna. In the other case, the court will pronounce the order on the petition filed by Yediyurappa questioning the legality of the POCSO case registered against him on charges of sexual assault on a minor girl. Justice M Nagaprasanna will pronounce the order at 10.30 am on Friday. **ENS**

HC quashes criminal case against Yatnal

Bengaluru: The Karnataka High Court has quashed the criminal case lodged by a Congress leader against BJP MLA Basangouda Patil Yatnal for allegedly making a statement to disrupt communal harmony and remarking that the Congress collected Rs 1,000 crore to purchase other MLAs. "I fail to understand where the statement meets the ingredients of provocation to cause a riot," said Justice M Nagaprasanna while allowing the petition filed by Yatnal questioning the legality of the crime. KPCC General Secretary Manohar S filed the complaint with the Gandhi Nagar police station in Davanagere on September 29, 2024. **ENS**

Major election promises, such as Thalliki Vandanam, Annadata Sukhibhava, and other schemes, will be implemented within the next three months, Andhra Pradesh CM Chandrababu Naidu said during the Cabinet meeting on Thursday

Karnataka global roadshows attract $3bn investment interest

RISHITA KHANNA @ Bengaluru

KARNATAKA'S global roadshows in Japan, South Korea, the U.S., and Europe have attracted investment interest worth $3 billion and MoUs exceeding Rs 11,000 crore.

"We have got a great response to our roadshows. In Japan and South Korea, more than 200 companies participated. In Europe, the state held over 50 B2G (business to government) meetings and seven roadshows across four countries. We also collaborated with more than 20 universities," Large and Small Industries Minister MB Patil told The New Indian Express ahead of the Global Investors Meet to be held from February 12-14.

Patil also highlighted that Karnataka is working on implementing a 'AI-powered single window' clearance system to simplify the investment process, making it easier for companies to navigate approvals and access tailored incentives. These are developed in collaboration with Microsoft and include AI-driven tools to assist investors, ensuring faster and more efficient project clearances, Patil added.

The AI-powered single window system will bring together land allocation tools, a grievance redressal mechanism, and application processes on a single platform. It will also include multi-lingual AI chatbots and Geographic Information System-based (GIS) tools to help investors make informed decisions, the minister said.

Karnataka will also introduce sector-specific policies to encourage investments in emerging industries. "The focus is on Global Capability Centre Policy, which will promote AI and advanced technology hubs, while the Clean Mobility Policy will be used to boost investments in electric vehicles and sustainable practices," Patil said, stressing that the aim is to create a pro-business environment.

Highlighting other investments, Patil said that since April 2023, Karnataka has attracted over Rs 1.15 lakh crore in investments through the single window system. These investments cover key industries such as electronics manufacturing, renewable energy, electric vehicles, aerospace, and infrastructure development. "One of the major investments is by Foxconn, which is setting up an iPhone assembly unit on a 300-acre site with an investment of Rs 22,000 crore, followed by Hero Future Engines, which invested Rs 11,000 crore in renewable energy, green hydrogen, and its derivatives.

INVEST K'TAKA TO FEATURE 19 COUNTRY PARTNERS, 9 DEDICATED PAVILIONS

Invest Karnataka 2025 will bring together 19 country partners, including France, Japan, Germany, the U.K., and Singapore, along with nine dedicated pavilions showcasing investment and trade opportunities. The summit will also focus on small and medium enterprises (SMEs) and startup growth, training over 2,000 SMEs in Industry 4.0, supporting 100 in digital transformation, and launching the second edition of the VentuRISE Global Startup Challenge to boost manufacturing and green-tech startups.

WHY DID TN GUV SIT ON BILLS FOR 3 YEARS, ASKS APEX COURT

'He seems to have adopted own procedure'

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Thursday questioned the delay by Tamil Nadu Governor **RN Ravi** in giving assent to the bills passed by the TN assembly and framed eight questions for adjudication, including the concept of 'pocket veto'. The SC said that the "governor seems to have adopted his own procedure".

A bench of Justices J B Pardiwala and R Mahadevan asked why the governor sat over the bills enacted by the assembly for over three years before declaring that he was withholding assent and referring some of them to the President. The court observed that the stalemate between the governor and the state government continued even after the November 2023 verdict in a case filed by the Punjab government in which the top court had emphasised that governors must decide on bills without delay.

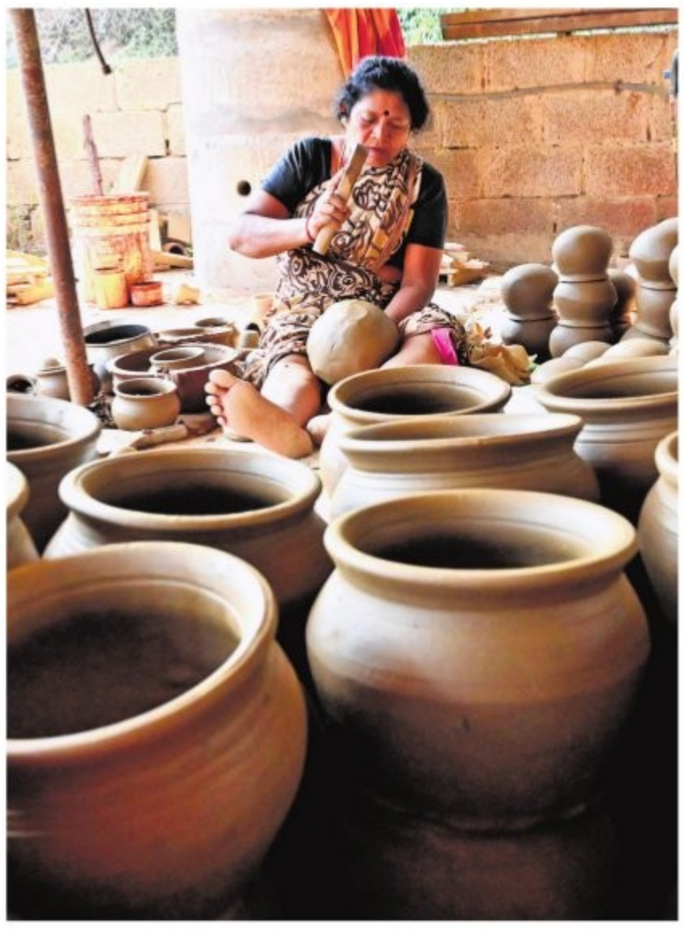
Attorney General R Venkataramani, appearing for Ravi, said the governor did not send the bills to the assembly for reconsideration and that he only declared that he was withholding his assent. Justice Pardiwala, however, remarked that merely declaring the withholding of assent without returning the bills to the assembly would frustrate Article 200 of the Constitution.

Justice Pardiwala said that the governor cannot simply withhold assent to a bill in the name of repugnancy. "You need to show us factually why the governor withheld assent. Either you show us from some original files, or some other documents, some contemporaneous record available with the office of the governor as to what was looked into, what was discussed, what were the lacunae," Justice Pardiwala said.

The bench told the AG that Tamil Nadu has not only alleged malice-in-law but also malice-in-fact on the part of the governor. The AG argued that the bills were on removing the governor as the chancellor of the state universities and it was a matter of national importance. However, the bench said it was not going to examine the history and was only examining the power of the governor to withhold the 12 bills duly passed by the state legislature and send two bills to the President directly and then say he has withheld assent."You have to tell us what was so gross in the bills that he did so," Justice Pardiwala said.

When the AG said that only a mere statement of repugnancy was enough and that the governor cannot be expected to "write an essay", Justice Pardiwala said, "You need to show us the repugnancy. In the name of repugnancy can the bills be withheld?" The judge also pointed out that the governor had an option to refer all bills to the President but he sent only two.

On November 13, 2023, Ravi had declared that he was withholding assent for 10 bills. Following that, the assembly convened a special session and re-enacted the very same bills on November 18, 2023.



GIVING SHAPE

A woman makes earthen pots at Neyyattinkara in Thiruvananthapuram ahead of Attukal Pongala, which will be held on March 13 | VINCENT PULICKAL

JJG Aero to invest over ₹500 crore in new facility

HRITHIK KIRAN BAGADE @ Bengaluru

WITH rising demand for India-made aerospace components in recent times, Bengaluru-headquartered JJG Aero is charting a robust expansion roadmap, including establishing a new sprawling facility. The legacy supply chain base in the Western world is struggling to meet demand from airframe, aircraft systems and engine manufacturers, and China + 1 strategies in play make India a favourable destination to source critical components from established and compliant vendors.

JJG Aero, which started as a subsidiary of JJ Glastronics in 2008, set up its first dedicated greenfield facility for aerospace components in Jigani here, in 2019. It later launched another facility in Bommasandrain 2023.

Together, the two facilities occupy a total floor-space of 60,000 sq ft, hosting 100 CNC machines, and 30 process lines. Highlighting that the company is a tier-II supplier to the commercial aviation market, JJG Aero CEO Anuj Jhunjhunwala said, "We make small detailed parts, machined components that go into the landing systems, interiors, engines, rails, avionics, and other segments of commercial aircraft." The expansion of the Bommasandra plant is under way to accommodate another 50 machines.

Today, the company makes over 1,500 unique part numbers, and plans are afoot to add 800 more parts this year, including more complex ones. JJG Aero has now decided to set up a much larger greenfield facility, preferably in Bengaluru. "We will open our third factory by 2027, and are in the final stages of finalising the land parcel. We intend to invest Rs 200 crore in the first phase over two years, while in the second phase, we would invest Rs 50-100 crore annually, for the next 6-8 years," Jhunjhunwala said.

The new plant will come up over 5 acres, with a built-up area of 2,00,000 sq ft, housing up to 1,000 CNC machines and many more special processes. JJG Aero plans to shift the entire manufacturing operations of its existing facilities to this location by 2030.

Jhunjhunwala said, "We forayed into aerospace in 2007, and started with simple turned parts, and over the years have progressed from 2 to 5 axis components, and from simple electroplating to a diverse offering of all the special processes required for detailed parts. We signed US' Goodrich Aerospace as our first client, which along with GE Aerospace, was amongst the first to actively source aircraft components from India for the world."

When Goodrich merged with Hamilton Sunstrand, to form UTC Aerospace, which merged with Rockwell Collins to form Collins Aerospace, demand soared. By then, JJG, which earlier operated from a smaller unit in Electronics City, moved to Jigani. In 2019-20, it onboarded Parker Aerospace and Liebherr Aerospace, and today serves 12 clients, including GE, Safran, Woodward, and Pratt & Whitney, with a few direct supplies to Boeing too.

Last year, JJG Aero clocked revenues of Rs 110 crore, translating to 60% of group business, while witnessing 30-40% CAGR over a three-year period.

EXPRESS READ

Need to increase states' share in central taxes to 50%: Odisha CM to 16th Finance Commission

BHUBANESWAR: Odisha CM Mohan Charan Majhi on Thursday made a strong pitch for increasing the share of states in the vertical devolution of funds from the divisible pool of central taxes from the current 41% to 50%. He made the demand during a meeting with members of the 16th Finance Commission here. The central panel was on a four-day visit to assess the financial needs of the state before making its recommendations on tax devolution to the Centre. The chief minister sought an award of ₹12,59,148 crore for the five-year period from 2026 to 2031 "We have demanded ₹9,88,422 crore to make up for pre-devolution revenue deficit, ₹1,10,434 crore for state-specific need, ₹1,00,036 crore as grants to local bodies, ₹31,004 crore for disaster response and ₹29,252 crore for disaster mitigation," Majhi said. **ENS**

AC Court cancels land grant to Heggade's brother

VINCENT D'SOUZA @Mangaluru

PUTTUR Assistant Commissioner's Court has issued an order cancelling a grant of 7.59 acres of agricultural land in Dharmasthala of Dakshina Kannada district to D Harshendra Kumar, brother of Rajya Sabha MP and Dharmasthala Dharmadhikari D Veerendra Heggade.

The land was granted to Harshendra in 1972 under the Mysore Land Grant Rules,1969. In his affidavit filed then, Harshendra, who identified himself as 'landless' with an annual income of ₹1,200, had claimed that he had no property of his own, either inherited or self-acquired, which made him eligible for land under the government's provisions for the landless. The land grant was challenged by K Somanath Nayak of Nagarika Seva Trust, Belthangady, in the Puttur Assistant Commissioner's Court in 2015. In response, Harshendra filed a writ petition in the Karnataka High Court in which he reiterated that he had no land in his name, the AC court has no powers to enquire the matter as it is 50 years old (barred by limitation).

While disposing the writ petition in 2022, the HC said "The AC shall examine the specific defense of the petitioner that he was not a sufficient land holder and that he was entitled to seek the land. The AC shall not, merely on the basis of the statement of objections filed before the court, assume that this court has affirmed the contents of the statement of objections. The AC shall consider the matter independently on the basis of the materials produced by the petitioner and thereafter pass appropriate orders."

In the AC Court, Nayak had requested to cancel the land grant citing a declaration made in 2012 by Veerendra Heggade stating that his undivided family (including Harshendra) previously owned 4,671.06 acres and after the Karnataka Land Reforms Act came into effect, they were entitled for 1,050.71 acres.

'NO FIXED TIMELINE...'

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ANOMALIES in one or more of these systems could be posing technical issues preventing the two spacecraft from undocking smoothly.

The senior scientist said although there is no fixed timeline of when the docking and undocking was to be done, the technical issues now encountered could affect payload experiments on the two spacecraft. As per the mission plan, after successful docking, electrical power transfer between the two spacecraft was to be demonstrated before separating the two. After separation, SDX-01 and SDX-02 were to begin operating their respective payloads for an expected mission life of up to two years. SDX-01 carries a High-Resolution Camera (HRC) with a 4.5 m instantaneous geometric field of view (IGFOV) and a swath of 9.2 x 9.2 km (snapshot mode) and 9.2 x 4.6 km (video mode) from a 450 km altitude. SDX-02 is carrying two payloads — a Miniature Multi-Spectral Payload (MMX), the imaging of which is useful for natural resource monitoring and vegetation studies; and a Radiation Monitor payload to measure and generate database on radiation dose encountered in space, relevant to India's first manned space mission Gaganyaan. ISRO launched the SpaDeX mission on December 30, 2024, with PSLV-C60 from Sriharikotta.

WOMAN FALLS INTO 20-FT DEEP WELL, SAVED AFTER MANY HRS

Fire personnel rescue the woman from the well at Tadaga village in Ajjampura

Chikkamagaluru: In a freak accident, a 40-year-old woman accidentally fell into a 20-ft deep abandoned well without a retaining wall and was severely injured at Tadaga village in Ajjampura taluk. Thimmakka (40), from Chikkajajur in Holakere taluk, had come to her relative's house at Tadaga village for a festival dinner. In the night, she accidentally slipped and fell into the abandoned well. She cried for help the entire night. Ufortunately, nobody noticed her. The next day, villagers heard her screams and found the woman. Soon, they informed Fire and Emergency Services personnel. **ENS**

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APPENDIX- IV-A
[See proviso to rule 8(6)]
Sale notice for sale of immovable property
E-Auction SALE NOTICE for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
NOTICE is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd., Yelahanka Branch, will be sold by holding E-Auction on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **14/03/2025**, for recovery of **Rs.7885818/-** (Rupees Seventy eight lakh eighty Five thousand eight hundred eighteen Only) due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. from **Mr. Umesh T and Mrs. Pushpalatha S G (Borrowers),** as on 06/02/2025, together with further interest and other charges thereon.
The reserve price will be **Rs. 1,50,00,000/-** (Rupees One Crore Fifty Lakhs Only) and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.15,00,000/-** (Rupees Fifteen Lakhs Only)
Description of the Immovable Property
All that piece and parcel of an immovable Property bearing Site No.49, PID No.070-10205-80, Khatha No.122 situated at Shambavi Nagar, Laggere, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore-560058, ward No.70. Measuring East to West 40 Feet and North to South (40+44/2) Feet in all totally measuring 1680 Sq. Ft. and bounded as follows: East By :Road, West by : Site No.48, North by : Site No.50, South by: Road.
Encumbrance : NIL
The detailed terms and conditions of the sale are provided in the official website of Can Fin Homes Ltd., (www.canfinhomes.com).Please refer to the following link https://www.canfinhomes.com/search_Auction.aspx. Link for participating in e-auction : https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net
Date: 07.02.2025 Sd/- **Authorised Officer**
Place : Yelahanka Can Fin Homes Ltd.

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES
[proviso to rule 9(1)]
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NOTICE is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd.,Sarjapur Road Branch, will be sold by holding e-auction on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **24-02-2025**, for recovery of **Rs. 16,50,000/-** (Rupees Sixteen Lakh Fifty Thousand Only) due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. from **Mrs.Preethi S M** (Borrowers), as on 06-02-2025, together with further interest and other charges thereon. The reserve price will be **Rs.16,00,000/-**(Rupees Sixteen Lakh Only) and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.1,60,000/-**(Rupees One Lakh Sixty Thousand Only)
Description of the Immovable Property
Prabhavathi Paramount' block 'A' ,F-13 , first floor super built area 790Sq ft undivided share 196 sqft, situated on Sy No 108/2, V P khata No.3581/108/2, in land measuring 18,513 sqft , situated at Kammasandra Village Bangalore rural district, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk. Boundaries : East by Private Property, West By: Flat No.F14, North By : open Space, South By : Corridor.
Encumbrances : There is a Sale Agreement Registered in favour of third party, subsequent to the 1st charge created in favour of Can Fin Homes Ltd., and the same is not binding on Can Fin Homes Ltd as the mortgage created in favour of Can Fin Homes Ltd is prior to the said transaction.
The detailed terms and conditions of the sale are provided in the official website of Can Fin Homes Ltd., (https://www.canfinhomes.com/SearchAuction.aspx). Link for participating in e-auction : https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net
Place: Bangalore Sd/-
Date: 06.02.2025 Authorised Officer
Can Fin Homes Ltd.,

KARNATAKA SKILL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
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No. KSDC/SANKALP/PN/CR-08/2023-24 Date: 06.02.2025
TENDER NOTIFICATION
Karnataka Skill Development Corporation has invited the Tender in two cover bid systems as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 2000 through the e-procurement portal. Bids are invited from the eligible and registered Partners for the services for **"Tender for procurement and supply of learning kits under SANKALP scheme for specially abled persons trained in nursery management worker job roles"** Tender No. KSDC/2024-25/IND0009/CALL-2. Last date for submission of tender documents in e-portal is 24-02-2025, 05:30PM. The e-Tender notification documents, tender processing fees & other details are available in the e-procurement web portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/** Help Desk: Phone No. +91-8046010000/ +91-8068948777 or you may also contact the office during working hours.
Sd/- Executive Director-3
KSDC, Bengaluru
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POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule 8 (1)] [For Immovable Property]
The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd. under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of the powers under the said Act and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a Demand notice dated 03-12-2024 calling upon the borrowers **Mr.DHIVIN BOPANNA C M** S/o Mr.MOTAIAH C B, and **Mr.MOTAIAH C B** S/o Mr.BELLIYAPPA & (GUARANTOR) **Mr.MUTHAPPA N U** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.76,14,158/-** (Seventy Six Lakhs Fourteen Thousand One Hundred and Fifty Eight Only) with further interest at contractual rates till date of Realization within 60 days from the date of the said notice.
The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on the (Security Interest Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on the **03rd day of February 2025.**
The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets
The borrower in particular and the public in general is/are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of CFHL for an amount of **Rs.76,14,158/-** (Seventy Six Lakhs Fourteen Thousand One Hundred and Fifty Eight Only) and interest thereon .
Description of immovable property
SCHEDULE 'A' Property : All That Piece And Parcel Of An Immovable Property Bearing Sy No.86(totally Measuring 5 Acres And 21 Guntas) And Converted Vide Official Memorandum Bearing No.aln(a) (K&A) Sr:56/05-06 C/W 59,60,61,79,81,82,108,109,110/05-06 Dated:29/03/2006,Issued By The Deputy Commissioner Bangalore District,Bangalore, And Approved By Strr Planning Authority Vide Strrpa/Tp/Lao/58/2017-18,Dated:11-03-2019 And Situated At Indlabele Village,Attibele Hobli,Anekal Taluk,Bangalore Urban District,Bangalore,Together With All Appurtenances Whatsoever Whether Underneath Or Above The Surface And Bounded On The: East By : Land Bearing Sy No.87, And Remaining Portion Of Sy No.86, West By : Land Bearing Sy No.85, North By: Land Bearing Sy No.99, South By: Land Bearing Sy No.77 And 78.
Schedule 'B' Property : All That Piece And Parcel Of An Immovable Property Bearing site No.9,Carved Out Of Land Bearing Sy No.86, Situated At "Liberty Acres Phase Iv" (Golden Homes Phase Iv), Indlabele Village,Attibele Hobli,Anekal Taluk,Bangalore Urban District, Measuring East To West 74.05 Feet And North To South 30.35 Feet In All 2248 Sq Feet And Any Building Construction There On And Bounded As Follows:- East By : Strr 90m Road, West By : 9m Wide Road, North By: Plot No.8, South By: Sy No.77
Date : 06.02.2025 Sd/-
Place : Bengaluru **Authorised Officer**
Can Fin Homes Ltd.,

EDITORIAL

"Palestine is the cement that holds the Arab world together, or it is the explosive that blows it apart" — Yasser Arafat

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— Ramnath Goenka

RIGHT TO DIE NEEDS ROBUST FRAMEWORK TO AVOID MISUSE

LAST week, the Karnataka government took a significant decision on a matter of life and death. Following the Supreme Court's ruling that the right to die with dignity is a part of the right to life under Article 12 of the Constitution, Karnataka facilitated passive euthanasia for terminally-ill patients by setting a legal framework for the process. The top court's 2023 order allows patients to opt for natural death by withdrawing life-saving treatment, and was preceded by the 2018 *Common Cause* case that recognised passive euthanasia and living wills.

Karnataka's progressive step follows ones taken in Kerala, Goa and Maharashtra. Karnataka has put in place guidelines to set up medical boards of senior doctors which will vet requests from patients and advise patients and their families on the ramifications, besides alternative solutions; it has also brought in provisions for legal scrutiny and written consent by family members. The patient's living will, a legal document, makes the entire process transparent. Those who qualify for passive euthanasia are patients whose conditions are irreversible or incurable, or have suffered severe brain damage with no hope of recovery.

Chronic terminal illness is extremely trying for both the patient and the family. Compassion is the key in allowing closure and peace through death. While mercy killing is common in the veterinary sphere, humans prefer to clutch at straws of hope and prefer prolonging every life. In India, it has been almost unthinkable to voluntarily pull the plug on a patient. Though the new judicial thinking has been generally welcomed by the educated classes, the Indian Medical Association has claimed that doctors have always taken considered decisions and has expressed reservations on this kind of legal scrutiny for the medical fraternity. There are also niggling fears about whether the process can be misused, living wills manipulated, and the patient pressured into signing his or her own death warrant. It raises ethical and religious questions of whether passive euthanasia is another form of suicide. While the Karnataka government claims it wishes "to uphold liberal and equitable values for a more just society", it should ensure its legal framework is robust and the right to die is exercised only in extreme cases, with utmost care.

TELANGANA MUST ACT ON CASTE SURVEY FINDS

TELANGANA'S caste survey has the potential to stir a hornet's nest. Though the Congress government neither tabled the survey in the assembly nor made its contents public, Chief Minister Revanth Reddy gave a snapshot of the findings. The survey says the backward classes constitute 46.25 percent of the state's population, scheduled castes 17.43 percent, scheduled tribes 10.45 percent, and other castes 17.43 percent. The survey was conducted to follow up on the Congress's campaign promise of raising the quotas for BCs and SCs.

There are strong arguments on all sides about holding a caste census, though no political party dares openly take a stand against it. The objective, as the Congress claims, is to gather data to ensure the backward classes their due shares in the political, social and economic spheres. On the face of it, it sounds reasonable. But political compulsions in Karnataka, which is also governed by the Congress, made its government hesitate about making its own caste survey report public. Similar calculations could play out in Telangana. The opposition is up in arms against the government for not tabling the report and for the differences in the latest report from the extensive household survey conducted by the previous regime, Aadhaar numbers and Election Commission data.

Granted that there could be a small margin of error, we need to look at whether the survey serves the objective of providing justice to the backward classes. From a political standpoint, even Congress insiders fear that if there are claims for the numbers to be translated into proportionate quotas, for which a constitutional amendment would be required, the party could face the wrath of several communities including the powerful upper castes. Since parliament will have to act, it is unlikely that the Congress demand will be acceded to. In which case, the party may have to at least accommodate more BCs, SCs, STs and minorities in the state cabinet and the forthcoming local body polls. Failure to do so may backfire. *Status quo* is unlikely to work given that backward class leaders are already threatening agitations if the quota is not raised. It would be difficult to put the genie back in the bottle.

QUICK TAKE

TURN THE LENS ON ACTORS

THE National Human Rights Commission's call for a police report on the action taken against Bollywood's 'casting couch' culture is welcome. But the NHRC does not have much power to act on the report; that authority rests with the higher judiciary and the state government. There has been only one thorough inquiry into abuse in a film industry—by the Hema Committee in Kerala. The lawyer on whose plea the NHRC acted also listed allegations from the Odia and Telugu filmdoms. Given that such complaints have been periodically aired all over the country, it's time to order a thorough review of the working conditions of women in all film industries of India.

Though Trump's latest stance on Gaza has weakened the prospect of a lasting peace deal between Hamas and Israel, we must see how such a deal can transform the whole region

HOW PEACE CAN TRANSFORM WEST ASIA FOR GOOD

MANISH TEWARI

Lawyer, third-term MP, former Union Information and Broadcasting Minister

SOURAV ROY

THE horrific war between Hamas and Israel in Gaza and beyond has severely affected West Asia, fuelling profound instability and bringing barely-recessed ethnic divisions to the fore with a renewed intensity of vengeance. The recent ceasefire agreement inked in Doha, mid-wifed by US and Qatari mediators and supplemented by earlier resolutions of the UN Security Council and General Assembly, marked a critical juncture for Israel and the broader region. Given the actions of last week, the hope for a lasting peace beyond the ceasefire seems shaky.

The ceasefire, which kicked in a day before Donald Trump took oath as president for the second time, has brought much-needed relief to the beleaguered residents of Gaza. It has brought respite to the families of the released Israeli hostages and Palestinian prisoners, and perhaps a sense of closure for the families of the Israeli hostages who have either died in captivity or were killed in acts of retribution.

A cessation of violence, even if it stays only for the first phase of six weeks of truce before the later phases of settlement and reconstruction, would open doors to the resources Gaza requires to make the enclave liveable in the interim. For Israel, it would bring relief from more casualties, psychological strain and economic setbacks.

However, some big challenges remain in Gaza, Tel Aviv and Washington. Hamas faces internal dissent from factions opposed to reconciliation. In Israel, while 24 ministers supported the deal, eight opposed it. The Benjamin Netanyahu government's security minister, Itamar Ben-Gvir, resigned in protest against the hostages-for-prisoners swap, and finance minister Bezalel Smotrich threatened to topple the government. But the biggest threat to the prospect of lasting peace may have emanated from Washington, where Trump recently met Netanyahu.

Saudi Arabia and the UAE, which had taken active roles in mediating the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, are rethinking their hopes for the deal after some recent utterances from Trump. The grand Saudi-Israel reconciliation, which was the ostensible trigger for Hamas's actions on October 7, 2023, seemed back on track before Trump talked about a "take over" of Gaza and displacement of more Gazans into neighbouring countries. On Wednesday, Riyadh reiterated its old stance that no rapprochement is possible before a Palestinian state is established.

Yet, there are enough good reasons to persist with a lasting peace deal. It can substantially alter the regional dynamics. For Egypt, which shares a border with Gaza, the deal could reduce security risks and expand cross-border trade and reconstruction. Jordan, with its large Palestinian population, might see a decline in political tensions and refugee pressure. Lebanon and Syria, already burdened by their own wars and internal contradictions, could experience significant shifts in geopolitical alignments.

A deal would also affect Iran's regional influence. Tehran's support for groups like Hezbollah and Islamic Jihad has long been destabilising. The peace agreement would weaken Iran's narrative of resistance against Israel, diminishing its hold over militant groups in Gaza and beyond. This shift could ease tensions in southern Lebanon and Iraq, perhaps paving the way for greater regional cooperation.

If successful, the Gaza-Israel peace deal could serve as a model for resolving other longstanding regional conflicts. From Syria to Yemen, Lebanon to Iraq, and even Libya, it could demonstrate how diplomacy, compromise and economic cooperation can address the underlying issues that perpetuate conflict.

In Syria, the peace deal would act as a precedent for multilateral negotiations, demonstrating the effectiveness of compromise over military escalation. The international focus on Gaza could shift attention away from militarised solutions in Syria, providing an opportunity for renewed diplomatic efforts with the departure of the Bashar al-Assad regime.

Lebanon's political landscape, shaped by Hezbollah's influence, could also change. If the peace agreement addresses key Palestinian grievances and reduces hostilities with Israel, Hezbollah's justification for maintaining its armed presence might weaken. This could alter Lebanon's internal dynamics, fostering greater unity within.

With the election of Joseph Aoun as the new Lebanese president and the International Court of Justice's Nawaf Salam designated prime minister and tasked with the responsibility of forming a government that would hold office till the next elections in 2026, Lebanon stands on the cusp of a new era. Conversely, a failure to address critical issues might embolden Hezbollah's anti-Israel rhetoric and prolong political instability.

The impact on Iran would be significant. Iran's support for militant groups like Hamas and others has been central to its regional strategy. The Gaza-Israel peace agreement would challenge this approach, potentially refocusing Iran's efforts on domestic issues or other regional theatres like Iraq and Syria. Iran might double down on its support for proxies, complicating stabilisation efforts in the region.

Turkey, which has historically supported Palestinian rights while criticising Israeli policies, might recalibrate its foreign policy. Ankara could seek to balance its advocacy for Palestinians with a more pragmatic approach toward Israel, strengthening economic and strategic ties. This shift would influence Turkey's role in regional conflicts, particularly in Syria, and encourage more cooperative relationships with the Gulf states.

The impact of the deal extends far beyond Gaza and Israel. If successful, it would inspire other regions grappling with deep-rooted conflicts, demonstrating the power of addressing underlying causes, fostering economic cooperation, and prioritizing human rights. The agreement could set a precedent for other nations with similar disputes, urging them to embrace peace-building strategies that are inclusive, fair and forward-looking.

This agreement would shift the focus from militarised solutions to diplomacy, paving the way for a more inclusive, peaceful future. Ultimately, its success would mark a turning point for Gaza and Israel, offering a hopeful model for the entire West Asia.

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PLANNING SOCIAL SECURITY COVER FOR GIG WORKERS

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FINANCE Minister Nirmala Sitharaman's mention of online platform workers' welfare in her budget speech has brought cheers to this new-age workforce as well as policymakers. The FM made two announcements on the subject: first, that gig workers will be provided health insurance under the PM Jan Arogya Yojana; and second, such workers will be issued identity cards through the e-Shram portal, which is expected to benefit 1 crore workers.

The announcements couldn't have come at a better time, given the increasing precarity and insecurity of such workers reported in recent months. Let me put this in perspective with the progress already made on this front.

This workforce, which has emerged in recent years all over the world, is there in almost every sector of the gig economy—food delivery, ride-hailing, e-commerce and other professional services. Unlike traditional work, which has stringent entry barriers with defined work hours and payment structures, platform-based gig work is characterised by independent contracting with flexible hours and performance-linked remuneration.

About a century ago, John Maynard Keynes had predicted three-hour shifts or 15-hour work weeks in his pivotal essay, '*The Economic Possibilities for our Grandchildren*'. Many western countries are shifting towards this trend. India is way behind; but the gig model at least provides a flexibility to break away from the traditional model, a state of 'liquid modernity', as sociologist Zygmunt Bauman called a society characterised by flexibility, uncertainty and continuous transformation.

The gig economy already accounts for up to 12 percent of the global labour market, numbering an estimated 435 million, as per a recent World Bank report. In India, the Niti Aayog estimates the gig workforce to be around 12.7 million in 2024-25, which may reach 23.5 million by 2029-30. Citing another study, the latest Economic Survey states that the e-commerce industry in India is experiencing a swift expansion, with its business-to-consumer market estimated to grow from $83 billion in 2022 to $150 billion by 2026, showing a compounded growth of 15.9 percent a year.

Considering these emerging trends, the government brought the landmark Code on Social Security, 2020, as part of larger labour reforms, subsuming nine existing central labour laws. The code introduced concepts like gig and platform workers and made provisions for their welfare in areas of life and disability, accident insurance, health and maternity cover, pension and creche facilities; financing is possible through a Social Security Fund and monitoring through a National Social Security Board.

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> The budget proposes health cover to online platform workers and assign them identity cards. The labour ministry has undertaken wide consultations to understand the concerns of these workers and their employers. We can learn from global models to make such schemes sustainable

The government made its intention loud and clear through this legislative framework, reiterating the constitutional mandate of a welfare state that flows from the Directive Principles of the Constitution. The budget announcement for extending the social security scheme is a culmination of that commitment.

To address the typicality of the sector and unique business nuances, the code defines gig and platform workers as a separate category, keeping them outside the traditional employer-employee relationship, thereby making it a progressive labour legislation.

In the background, the Union labour and employment ministry has undertaken a massive exercise of stakeholder consultation in different phases, at different levels of engagement, to understand the complexities involved, the requirement of the workers, business models of platforms, following the approach of 'minimum government' and 'maximum governance'. An exclusive committee with members from key stakeholders has been set up to recommend a social security framework.

The budget also proposes to arrange for platform workers' identity cards and registration on the e-Shram portal. Launched in 2021, the labour ministry's portal serves as a comprehensive national database of unorganised workers. As a way forward, the ministry issued an advisory to the platform aggregators in September 2024, urging them to register themselves as well as platform workers engaged by them on the portal. For ease of doing business, the ministry launched a separate aggregator module in December 2024. The process will now be fast-tracked and platform workers will be issued unique identity numbers.

While the government is committed to ensuring that all such workers are brought under its social security net, it is important to analyse the requirement of the workers beyond health benefits within the contours of the code on social security. The wishlist may vary by the demographic composition of the gig workforce and the business models used. A close look at international best practices, like those in the UK, Singapore, Oman, Thailand and Indonesia, reveals varying benefits as well as sources of funding.

So, a package of welfare benefits aligned with the needs of the workforce should be worked out with multiple financing mechanism, including from the beneficiaries, especially for old-age benefits like pensions. This will address the workers' concerns while making the schemes sustainable.

The gig model helps address the problem of human capital exclusion from the workforce. It now makes a sizeable contribution to economic growth. Let us not leave this workforce unattended.

(Views are personal)

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Fighting cancer

Ref: *Keep differences aside in the fight against cancer* (Feb 6). Cancer remains one of the most pressing health challenges worldwide, affecting millions of people. World Cancer Day thus serves as a powerful reminder of the need for collective action in the fight against cancer. The universal goal must be to demand a commitment to prioritise cancer and create innovative strategies to address inequality.
R Sivakumar, Chennai

Psychological pain

Ref: *Bullying not kids' play, deal with it seriously* (Feb 6). Bullying inflicts unbearable psychological pain on students, leading to mental illnesses and suicide in the worst cases. That it should happen in a state like Kerala is unfortunate.
G Nataraja Perumal, Elathur

Myanmar crisis

Ref: *Can Myanmar's many parts make it whole again* (Feb 6). A surge in the conflict since October 2023 has increased displacement in the country. The Myanmar human rights crisis did not begin with the coup. Decades of oppression had led to this civil war. Ending impunity requires bold and adapted solutions and a long term political commitment.
P Victor Selvaraj, Palayamkottai

CRPF sacrifices

Ref: *Stretching thin to protect & serve* (Feb 6). The CRPF has done unparalleled service to this nation, from manning borders of J&K and almost wiping out Naxalism to protecting elections, all without hospitable living conditions. India would have been destabilised without numerous sacrifices of these soldiers.
Pinaki Prasad Swain, Balasore

Trusting America

Ref: *US will 'take over' Gaza Strip, redevelop it: Donald Trump* (Feb 6). The proposal of Donld Trump of 'taking over' the war-ravaged Gaza strip is fraught with dangers inherent in closer and continuous US interference in the volatile region. The US can never be trusted to selflessly nurture a geographical region.
George Jacob, Kochi

Developing AI

Ref: *India is largest AI market: Altman* (Feb 6). The fact that India has become the second-largest AI market in the world highlights how quickly its technology is developing. The country has a strong talent pool, positioning it for rapid expansion. However, given this rapid growth, a balanced strategy is required, addressing worries about possible job displacement while highlighting the need to develop AI ethically.
Nehreen Ali, Bengaluru

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Jagat Prakash Nadda @JPNadda
After independence, Congress and its allies started the work of crushing the Constitution for the sake of power.

Rahul Gandhi @RahulGandhi
It's imperative our education system adapts to the paradigm shift in the world and equips young Indians with the skills & knowledge needed to thrive and take our country forward.

Mayawati @Mayawati
The case of 104 Indians ... being sent back by the US in a military aircraft in inhumane conditions ... is extremely sad, touches the pride of the nation, and is highly concerning.

Army's modernisation plan picks pace

250 reconnaissance and surveillance helicopters will replace the ageing fleet and increase operational capabilities

MAYANK SINGH @New Delhi

AS part of modernising Indian Army's operational capabilities, a significant accretion is on the anvil on the aviation front, specifically the rotors, with the Army working toward inducting around 250 helicopters for surveillance and reconnaissance operations.

A source said, "The Army has outlined the need to replace its ageing helicopter fleet. Several options are being considered, emphasising indigenous production under the government's Make in India policy."

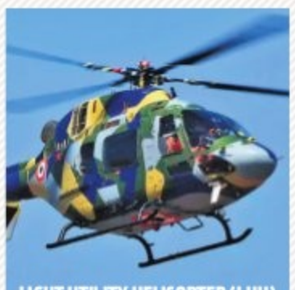
Key contenders, sources informed, include HAL's Light Utility Helicopter, Kamov-226T (Russia), and Airbus H125. "The Army is also evaluating opportunities for private Indian companies to enter the helicopter manufacturing space, encouraging competition, innovation, and cost-effectiveness," sources added.

The selection process is driven by performance benchmarks, ensuring that the replacement fleet is capable of extended endurance missions, enhanced troop transport, improved combat survivability, and superior sensor integration for reconnaissance and surveillance roles.

Officials said that as Aero India 2025 approaches, military aviation landscape is set to take centre stage and a modern helicopter fleet is a key focus area.

CHOPPERS IN THE CART

AMONG THE KEY AIRCRAFT CONSIDERED IN PLACE OF ARMY'S AGEING FLEET ARE



LIGHT UTILITY HELICOPTER (LUH)
A domestically developed platform, currently undergoing phased induction. Designed for high-altitude performance, it is expected to replace the Cheetah and Chetak helicopters in forward areas

KAMOV-226T (RUSSIA)
A proven reconnaissance helicopter with a modular design and twin-engine safety. While initially part of an Indo-Russian joint production plan, procurement has faced delays, partly due to geopolitical considerations

AIRBUS H125
A high-altitude capable helicopter with global recognition, offering advanced avionics and superior payload capacity

PRIVATE SECTOR PARTICIPATION
A significant step as helicopters are a crucial step in strengthening operational capabilities across diverse and challenging terrains. Private Indian companies entering helicopter manufacturing space is expected to encourage competition, innovation and cost-effectiveness

The Indian Army Aviation Corps, though one of the youngest branches of the Army, has emerged as a critical force multiplier in modern warfare, providing aerial support for combat operations, reconnaissance, logistics, casualty evacuation, and humanitarian assistance. However, as global military aviation advances and battlefield requirements evolve, a next-generation helicopter fleet has become imperative.

Helicopters are an operational necessity, considering that the Indian Army operates in some of the world's most extreme environments. In the northern and western theatres, helicopters facilitate rapid troop movement, reconnaissance, and combat support.

The high-altitude terrain of Ladakh, Siachen Glacier, North Sikkim, and Arunachal Pradesh presents significant operational challenges with sub-zero temperatures, unpredictable weather and thin air conditions that demand highly capable rotary-wing platforms. In counter-terrorism and counter-insurgency operations, particularly in Jammu and Kashmir and the Northeast, helicopters enable quick insertion and extraction of troops, surveillance missions, and casualty evacuations.

Beyond combat, the Army helicopters are pivotal in humanitarian assistance and disaster relief operations, responding to natural calamities such as floods, earthquakes, and landslides. Rapid airlift capabilities are crucial for rescuing stranded civilians, delivering supplies, and providing medical evacuation in these scenarios. The Army's rotary-wing fleet is also vital in desert warfare.

For decades, the Chetak and Cheetah helicopters have been the backbone of the Army Aviation Corps. While these platforms have proven their reliability and endurance, they are now technologically outdated. Initially developed in the 1960s and inducted in the 1970s, these helicopters lack modern avionics, safety features, and the operational flexibility required for contemporary warfare.

Their single-engine configuration increases risk, and their limited payload capacity restricts their ability to transport troops and equipment efficiently. Maintenance challenges have also emerged, with the declining availability of spare parts.

Recognising these challenges, the Indian Army has initiated a comprehensive plan to upgrade its helicopter fleet. Modernisation aims to enhance operational capabilities in altitude performance, endurance, payload capacity, survivability, and mission versatility.

In July 2023, the defence ministry issued a Request for Information to lease 20 reconnaissance and surveillance helicopters with ground support equipment for five years.

Currently, India's Army Aviation Corps comprises three brigades at Leh, Missamari and Jodhpur, equipped with around 190 Cheetah, Chetak and Cheetal helicopters, 145 ALH, and 75 Rudra (ALH-WSI), which is the weaponised version. While the indigenous light combat helicopters are under induction, orders have been placed for 25 ALH Mk-III.

MoD signs ₹10K cr ammunition deal for Pinaka system

MAYANK SINGH @New Delhi

THE Ministry of Defence on Thursday inked contracts worth ₹10,147 crore with Economic Explosive Limited, as well as Munitions India Limited for procuring Area Denial Munition (ADM) Type-1 and High Explosive Pre Fragmented (HEPF) Mk-1 (Enhanced) rockets, respectively, for the Pinaka Multiple Launch Rocket System (MLRS).

It also signed a contract for upgrades in the Shakti software with Bharat Electronics Limited.

This contract is a step forward in the government's multi-pronged strategy to manufacture arms and ammunition indigenously. The procurements mark a significant milestone in modernising the artillery rocket regiments and enable precise and long-range strikes.

These projects also have immense potential for direct and indirect employment generation by encouraging the Indian MSME sector through components manufacturing.

The ADM Type-1 of Pinaka MLRS has a specialised warhead to deliver a quantum of sub-munitions over a larger area targeting mechanised forces, vehicles and personnel, thereby denying specific areas to the enemy.

The HEPF Mk-1 (E) rockets are advanced versions of in-service HEPF rockets with an enhanced range to strike deep into enemy territory with precision and lethality.

Economic Explosive Limited is a private defence manufacturer, while Munitions India Limited is a Defence Public Sector Enterprise. It is India's biggest manufacturer and market leader for ammunition and explosives.

The flight trials of the Enhanced Pinaka Mk-I Rocket System (EPRS) and Pinaka ADM rocket systems were completed in April 2022.

"With these trials, the industry's initial phase of technology absorption of EPRS has successfully been completed, and the industry partners are ready for user trials/series production of the rocket system," the MoD said.

Twenty-four EPRS rockets were fired at different ranges, achieving the required accuracy and consistency in the trials.

Rajnath, Hegseth discuss cooperation in operations, intelligence & logistics

MAYANK SINGH @New Delhi

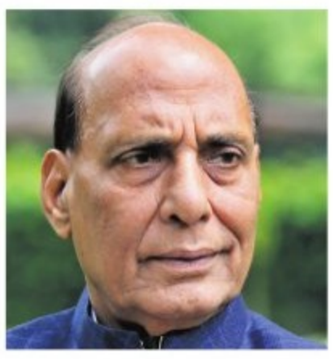
DEFENCE Minister Rajnath Singh on Thursday congratulated Pete Hegseth, in a first telephonic conversation after his confirmation as the US Secretary of Defense.

Singh said Hegseth reviewed various aspects of the bilateral defence ties in a phone conversation that came less than a week before Prime Minister Narendra Modi's planned trip to Washington.

"The two ministers reviewed the extensive India-US defence cooperation activities covering multiple domains in land, air, maritime and space. They appreciated the ongoing and remarkable expansion of the bilateral defence partnership, and reaffirmed their commitment to deepening the ties," a statement from the Ministry of Defence said.

In particular, the two ministers decided to cooperate on technology cooperation, integration of defence industrial supply chains, enhanced interoperability, logistics and information-sharing, and joint military exercises.

The defence ministry also added that India and the US agreed to provide enhanced support to the growing defence innovation collaboration between the governments, start-ups, businesses and academic institutions. The two countries agreed to work together to draft a comprehensive framework on defence cooperation, aimed at structuring the bilateral collaboration for the period from 2025-35.



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>
> Rajnath Singh, Defence Minister

In a post on microblogging site X, the defence minister said he and Hegseth reviewed the ongoing India-US defence cooperation and explored ways to further deepen the relationship.

Describing the phone conversation as "excellent", the defence minister said, "We reviewed the ongoing defence cooperation and explored ways and means to expand and deepen the India-US bilateral defence relationship."

"We also agreed to chart out an ambitious agenda, which includes operational, intelligence, logistics and defence-industrial cooperation. Looking forward to working closely with Secretary Hegseth," he added.

Staff crunch in Lalit Kala, Sangeet Natak Academy

PARVEZ SULTAN @New Delhi

THE organisations working to preserve and promote artistic activities under the administrative supervision of the Ministry of Culture have been operating with limited workforce.

According to a parliamentary panel report, three Akademis — Sangeet Natak Akademi, Centre for Cultural Resources and Training, and Lalit Kala Akademi — are functioning with less than 40 per cent of their sanctioned strength.

The National School of Drama has approximately 48 per cent and Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts has around 36 per cent vacancies against their sanctioned strengths respectively, stated the government's action-taken-report on the recommendations or observations of the committee regarding the functioning of national Akademis and other cultural institutions.

In its report tabled in the House earlier this week, the standing committee on transport, tourism and culture chaired by Rajya Sabha MP of Janata Dal (United) Sanjay Kumar Jha also sought to know the reason for huge vacancies.

"The committee may be apprised of the reasons for such meager working strength in the Akademis and urges the ministry to make concentrated efforts to streamline the processes and initiate the recruitment process at the earliest," the report read.

The committee earlier observed that the institutions in questions are affected by vacancies and a lack of trained manpower. It said that lack of manpower not only affects the working of these organisations but also hinders their efficiency. It had recommended the ministry to take up measures to fill up those vacancies within a fixed period.

In its response, the ministry stated that all the posts lying vacant for more than five years had been abolished, hence it requires approval from the ministry of finance as per the guidelines. "The ministry of culture is making continuous efforts to revive these posts. Further, the recruitment process for the posts lying vacant for less than five years are undergoing expeditiously in all the academies," the culture ministry submitted.

The panel also observed that given their distinct frameworks and mandate, each Akademi should have its own dedicated functioning authority.

"The administrative sections responsible for tasks such as hiring manpower, purchasing, HR issues, and budget management should be clearly defined in each Akademi and be empowered to ensure efficient functioning," it stated.

The standing committee further asked the culture ministry to prepare a consolidated proposal for additional budget, keeping in view the expansion requirements of each Akademi after reassessing their budgetary requirements, as sufficient budget is crucial for their growth.

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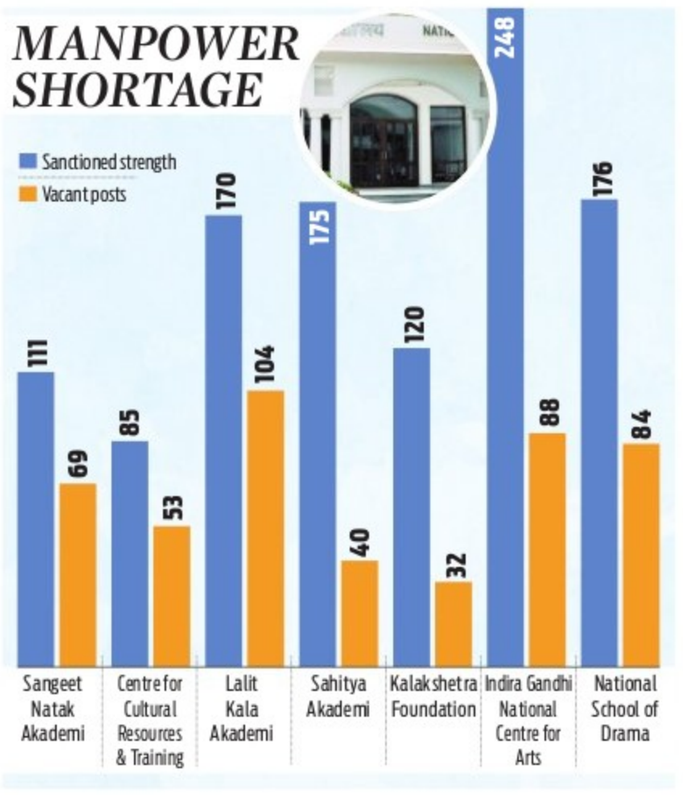

Deepika, Mary Kom to join Pariksha Pe Charcha

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi will kick off the much-anticipated Pariksha Pe Charcha on February 10 with a star-studded line up that includes Bollywood actor Deepika Padukone and spiritual leader Sadhguru.

This year, the interactive programme with students, teachers, and parents will be held in a new format and style.

More prominent personalities will join the annual interaction session, during which the Prime Minister will offer insights on exam preparation, stress management, and personal growth ahead of the 10 and 12 Board exams.

The other personalities who will join in are Olympian Mary Kom, Paralympics gold medalist Avani Lekhara, celebrity nutritionists Rujuta Divekar and Sonali Sabharwal, health influencer FoodPharmer Revant Himatsingka, Bollywood actors Vikrant Massey and Bhumi Pednekar, YouTuber Technical Guruji, and Radhika Gupta.

According to the Union Ministry of Education, the 8th edition will feature renowned personalities from diverse fields who will share their experiences and knowledge, guiding students on key aspects of life and learning, in seven subsequent episodes of Pariksha Pe Charcha.

Thirty-six students from all the states and UTs will directly interact with Modi. From mental health to technology, top experts across a broad spectrum will join the programme to guide students most engagingly and interactively.

Pariksha Pe Charcha 2025 has set a new record with five crore participation nationwide. The programme will be held on February 10, at 11 am on multiple platforms, including Doordarshan.

It is conducted annually to help students of Classes 6 to 12 overcome exam stress and pressure. Students participating in these sessions were drawn through selection from the states and UTs, different educational organisations and national-level school competitions.

This year, 36 students from each state and UT have been selected from state and UT Board Government schools, Kendriya Vidyalaya, Sainik School, Eklavya Model Residential School, CBSE and Navodaya Vidyalaya to engage directly with the Prime Minister.

Some students are alums of the PRERANA school programme and Kala Utsav and Veer Gatha winners.

"These students have been selected to engage directly with the Prime Minister, making this edition a true reflection of India's diversity and inclusivity," the ministry said.

The first interaction with the Prime Minister will be telecast directly on Doordarshan, Swayam, Swayam Prabha, the PMO YouTube channel, and the social media channels of the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, ensuring that viewers across the nation can participate in the experience.

A host of prominent personalities

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Hike in material prices, GST jacks up new Parliament building cost, LS told

PARVEZ SULTAN @New Delhi

THE construction of the new Parliament building and Vice-President Enclave saw cost escalation due to rising prices of essential materials like steel and cement, and hike in wages and GST rates, the Lok Sabha was informed on Thursday.

According to the ministry of housing and urban affairs, expenditures also increased because additional security provisions were made and changes in design of the buildings brought in considering the location in a seismic zone.

Responding to details sought about the timeline for the completion of the Central Vista Redevelopment Project, Union Minister of State for Housing and Urban Affairs Tokhan Sahu said that the construction of Common Central Secretariat (CCS) 1, 2 and 3 is expected to be completed by May.

"There was cost escalation in New Parliament Building and Vice President Enclave due to... increase in GST rate from 12 per cent to 18 per cent w.e.f. 01.07.2022, increase in prices of steel, cement and increase in labour wages during the period of execution of work, additional security provisions decided by security agencies and variations in view of design of structure according to earthquake zone V for New Parliament Building," Sahu said in Lok Sabha.

The ministries operating from the North and South blocks, including finance, home ministries, defence and department of personnel and training, will move to the new buildings — CCS 1, 2 and 3. Movement from the South Block is likely to begin by August.

As per the plans, all 51 Central government ministries and departments will move into 10 CCS buildings coming up along the Kartavya Path. The Raksha Bhawan complex is being redeveloped into CCS Building 10.

In October 2019, the ministry had said the deadline given to CPWD to complete the Central Vista project was November 2021 and CCS by March 2024. The deadlines were missed.

After shifting of the ministries' offices, North and South blocks will be converted into Yuge Yugeen Bharat Museum.

J&K BUDGET

Asserting the budget to be passed in J&K Assembly should not be framed in isolation, CM Omar Abdullah said the aim of these consultations is to ensure that the proposals of people's representatives are considered.

5 DRUG PEDDLERS BOOKED UNDER PIT-NDPS ACT

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	27	17	Mumbai	32	24
Bhopal	23	11	Panaji	32	28
Jaipur	24	10	Patna	41	27
Amritsar	21	07	Lucknow	42	27
Chennai	31	23	Port Blair	34	28
Kolkata	29	17	Imphal	23	18
Srinagar	13	-03	Chandigarh	42	23

Handcuffed & chained in the sky for 40 hours

104 illegal immigrants deported from US in C-17 Globemaster say not allowed to move an inch from seats throughout the long journey

HARPREET BAJWA @Chandigarh

A video released by the American authorities on Thursday confirmed what the 104 deportees said upon landing in Amritsar the day before—that during the 40-hour flight, the US officials cuffed their hands and feet and were not allowed to move from their seats.

They were only grudgingly allowed to use the washroom but with the shackles on. They had to drag themselves to and fro. The handcuffs remained while they ate food, too.

The video the United States Customs and Border Protection (USBP) released went viral on Thursday and showed the deportees handcuffed and chained at the ankles. USBP Chief Michael W Banks shared the video on X and wrote that USBP and partners successfully returned illegal "aliens" to India, adding, "If you cross illegally, you will be removed".

One of the 104 deportees, 30-year-old Lovepreet Kaur of Bholath in Kapurthala, undertook a horrible experience of going to the US and returning immediately after spending a whopping ₹1 crore.

Security personnel escort Gujarat immigrants deported from the US after they were brought to the Ahmedabad airport on Thursday | PTI

Back in Amritsar, she said she reportedly paid ₹1 crore to reach the US with her 10-year-old son had landed there on. They left India on January 2, reaching the US on January 27.

They first flew to Medellin in Colombia and stayed there for two weeks. Their next stop was San Salvador, from where they walked and crossed into Guatemala and took a taxi to Mexico. Two days later, they crossed the border but got caught.

"We were kept in a camp for five days and then chained from the waist, our feet and hands cuffed. Only the children were spared. She was in a group comprising seven families and some single men and women. "No one told us where we were being taken. We were told we had returned to India when we arrived in Amritsar. Our dreams shattered in that instant."

Deportee Harwinder Singh of Tahli village in Hoshiarpur said the journey was more mentally traumatic than physically exhausting. "The crew and officials forced us to eat with handcuffs. They ignored our repeated requests to remove the handcuffs."

It is the trauma that possibly led to another deportee, 27-year-old Davinderjit Singh of Jalandhar, going missing. He returned home from Amritsar Wednesday night. On Thursday morning, he took his bike and left home. The family has been unable to locate him since then.

Another case of a wasted journey is Jaspal Singh's. He is from Hardorawal village in Gurdaspur. His agent told him he would reach the US by air. He reached Brazil last July. But the final leg never materialised. After six months, he managed to cross over to the US, only to be caught by US Border Patrol. He was in custody for 11 days before being sent home.

Govt mulls bill on orderly migration for overseas jobs

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @New Delhi

THE government is actively considering introducing a law to create an enabling framework to promote safe, orderly, and regular migration for overseas employment.

The proposed "Emigration (Overseas Mobility Facilitation and Welfare) Bill, 2024", seeks to replace the Emigration Act of 1983 to facilitate the circular mobility of individuals intending to migrate for employment abroad. It follows a report by the Parliamentary Committee on External Affairs, chaired by Congress MP Shashi Tharoor, presented in Parliament.

"After much delay, the Ministry is seriously considering enacting a new law tentatively titled 'Overseas Mobility (Facilitation and Welfare) Bill, 2024,'" it said. The report also recommended establishing Protector of Emigrants offices in states where they do not currently exist and expanding PoE offices in "migration hotspots" like Punjab and Uttar Pradesh, ensuring better support and outreach for emigrants.

Currently, the Emigration Act of 1983, administered by the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) through the Protector General of Emigrants (PGE), governs the emigration process in India. According to the Committee's report, "Given the changing global migration dynamics and the needs of Indian citizens, the Committee has long emphasised the need for a comprehensive legislative overhaul to replace the outdated provisions of the Emigration Act 1983."

The MEA has informed the Committee that the draft of the bill is being consulted with relevant line ministries and will soon open for public consultations. The Committee has requested to be consulted on the bill's key features and stressed the importance of enacting the revised law within a year.

India on list of 'uncooperative' countries in US

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @New Delhi

LAST December, the US Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) under the Department of Homeland Security added India to its list of 'uncooperative' countries, intensifying the Trump administration's focus on nations like Cuba, Iran, Pakistan, Russia, and Venezuela. The ICE removes individuals subject to final removal orders to their country of citizenship.

The US government requests that foreign governments take necessary actions to verify the citizenship of individuals suspected to be their nationals. This may include conducting interviews, issuing travel documents and accepting the return of nationals via scheduled commercial flights or, if needed, special charter flights.

A lack of cooperation from the country of origin can delay and obstruct the removal process. Countries that fail to cooperate with ICE are classified as "uncooperative" or "recalcitrant." Factors leading to this classification include refusal to take the necessary steps to facilitate the removal, such as verifying citizenship or issuing the required travel documents.

India said that it will accept the return of all its nationals who overstay in any country after verifying their nationality. External Affairs Ministry spokesperson, Randhir Jaiswal said that India is firmly opposed to illegal migration, particularly when it is linked to other forms of organized crime.

Our policy to execute immigration laws against all removable aliens: US

MAYANK SINGH @New Delhi

THE United States embassy said that enforcing immigration laws was imperative for American national security even as Chief of US Border Patrol **Michael W Banks** put out a video showing Indian illegals being deported in shackles, which sparked an uproar in parliament.

The embassy spokesperson said in New Delhi, "I can't go into further details on the flight. I can share that enforcing our nation's immigration laws is critically important to the national security and public safety of the US. It is the policy of the United States to faithfully execute the immigration laws against all inadmissible and removable aliens."

Banks also messaged on X, "USBP and partners successfully returned illegal aliens to

India, marking the farthest deportation flight yet using military transport. This mission underscores our commitment to enforcing immigration laws and ensuring swift removals."

Speaking to the media, Congress's Shashi Tharoor said the Trump administration's move to deport Indian nationals in "handcuffs" was an insult to the country.

"We are protesting how this was done. They have every legal right to deport people who are illegally staying in their country, but to send them like this abruptly in a military aircraft and handcuffs is an insult to India; it's an insult to the dignity of Indians," Tharoor said.

Minister for External Affairs S Jaishankar assured that New Delhi was engaging with the Donald Trump administration to ensure against mistreatment of future deportees in any manner. Making a statement on the deportation in the Rajya Sabha, Jaishankar referred to the shackles episode, terming it as Standard Operating Procedure the US followed.

"The deportations by the US are organised and executed by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). The SOP for deportations by aircraft, effective from 2012, provides for the use of restraint. We have been informed by ICE that women and children are not restrained," Jaishankar said.

Cuffing deportees 'an insult to nation': Badal

Shiromani Akali Dal leader Sukhbir Singh Badal dubbed shackling of the 104 deportees "an insult to the nation." "The manner in which Indians have been deported from the US in handcuffs on a military plane is an insult to the nation."

33 Gujaratis dropped home in govt vehicles

All 33 people from Gujarat, who were among 104 Indians deported from the US for illegal immigration, were safely transported to their native places on Thursday in state vehicles under the supervision of police, the state government said.

House adjourned as Cong leads Oppn charge against govt

PREETHA NAIR @New Delhi

THE Lok Sabha witnessed adjournments and ruckus on Thursday as the Opposition demanded a discussion over the deportation of Indians illegally living in the US.

As soon as the House convened at 11am, the Opposition members, led by the Congress, rushed to the well demanding an immediate discussion over the "inhuman treatment" meted out to the 104 Indians. The members refused to budge, though Speaker Om Birla said it's a foreign policy matter.

"The issue is serious. It is a matter of foreign policy. The government has taken it seriously. The foreign country also has its own rules and regulations. You can raise your issues at 12 noon and allow the Question Hour to run smoothly. People have chosen you to raise their issues in the House but you are resorting to protests," he said. Amid sloganeering, Birla adjourned the proceedings till 12 noon. The mayhem

continued as the House reconvened at 12. Though EAM S Jaishankar made a statement on the issue, opposition continued sloganeering, prompting the Speaker to adjourn the proceedings for the day.

In the Rajya Sabha also, Opposition members demanded answers from the government on the deportation, leading to noisy scenes and adjournment during the Zero Hour.

Opposition members including Rahul Gandhi, Priyanka Gandhi Vadra from the Congress, and SP chief Akhilesh Yadav, gathered outside the Parliament with placards 'Humans, not prisoners' and with handcuffs on their hands.

Priyanka said, "A lot was talked about PM Modi and Trump's friendship. Couldn't we send our plane to get them all back? The PM should answer." Yadav said, "The question is not just about these Indians being sent back in inhuman conditions. They showed people a dream that India is going to be Vishwaguru."

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PM attends Jakhar's grandson reception

Punjab BJP president Sunil Jakhar is likely to continue as the party's state chief. Prime Minister Narendra Modi and other top leaders on Wednesday attended the wedding reception of Jakhar's grandson in Delhi. Home Minister Amit Shah, Health Minister and BJP national president JP Nadda, union ministers Piyush Goyal, Dharmendra Pradhan, among others attended the function. The PM blessed the newly-wed couple. Amit Shah also posed pictures with the guests. Jakhar had resigned from the post of state party chief last year, however his resignation has not been accepted.

Haryana minister Vij's Pushpa moment

Haryana's Energy, Transport and Labour Minister Anil Vij imitated gestures from Alu Arjun-starrer movie Pushpa to express his anguish against his own government and Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini. Flashing the "Pushpa hand gesture" to the media in Ambala, Vij said that whatever he says comes from his conscience and his inner voice cannot be suppressed. "I cannot be made to bow down," he said, a la a Pushpa dialogue. Vij had earlier donned the role of 'Gabbar' and many a time of a singer. After Vij's outburst, his cabinet colleagues, BJP leaders and officials have preferred silence.

Promise for women haunts CM Mann

During Punjab CM Bhagwant Mann's campaign for the Delhi assembly elections, he was repeatedly questioned by rival leaders and the media about the AAP's promise before the 2022 Punjab polls to give ₹1000 to women per month. Last week he had hinted that his government will fulfil the promise in the 2025-26 budget. "We will fulfil all our poll guarantees. Government is elected for five years. We have implemented guarantees which were not even announced during the polls," he said. Mann said the budget to be tabled soon would earmark funds for the allowance in the. During the LS polls, Mann also said the promise will be fulfilled soon.

Saints' role vital in protecting India's culture and unity: Shah

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Raipur

UNION Home Minister Amit Shah on Thursday said India's saints played a significant role in preserving the country's culture, unity and knowledge.

Speaking at the 'First Samadhi Mahotsav' of Jain seer Acharya Vidyasagar Mahamuniraj in Dongargarh town of Chhattisgarh's Rajnandgaon district, Shah said Jain monks worked towards uniting the country.

"Post-independence, when the country and the government began getting influenced by western thoughts, Acharya Vidyasagar continued to protect the Indian culture, religion and languages," Shah said, adding the seer's messages, discourses and writings are a precious heritage for the Jain community as well as the entire nation.

"The saint tradition of our country is very rich. Whenever the need arose, it played a role in protecting the country's culture. During the period of slavery, they kept the nation's consciousness alive through their spirit of devotion," he said.

Shah said Acharya Vidyasagar was a 'yug purush' who started a new idea and era. "He inspired many people to take care of the country's cottage industries and employment. He promoted 'godhan' (cattle), charkha (spinning wheel), handloom and local employment," the minister said.

After 23-km chase, Army kills driver for jumping checkpost in Baramulla

FAYAZ WANI @Srinagar

AFTER 23-km chase, a truck driver was shot dead by army for allegedly jumping their check post in north Kashmir's Baramulla district. In another incident, a person, who was alleged to be Over Ground Worker (OGW) of militants and picked up for questioning by police in J&K's border district of Kathua, committed suicide after being allegedly subjected to brutal physical and mental torture in police custody.

The two deaths have evoked strong condemnation, prompting the police and administration to order time-bound probe into the death of alleged OGW in Kathua. Chief Minister Omar Abdullah termed both the incidents as unfortunate and said he has taken it up with the Centre and insisted that both incidents are inquired into in a time bound and transparent manner.

"On February 5, based on a specific intelligence input about movement of terrorists,

a Mobile Vehicle Check Post was established by security forces at Amargah, Sopore in Baramulla district," Army's Srinagar-based 15 Corps posted on X. It stated that a speeding suspicious civil truck was spotted and when challenged, the truck did not stop despite and jumped the check post.

Troops pursued the vehicle for over 23-kms and gunshots were fired aiming at tyres to deflate which forced the vehicle to halt at Sangrama Chowk in Baramulla, Army said.

"The driver was evacuated to GMC Baramulla, where he was declared dead," the army said. The driver was identified as 35-year-old Waseem Majeed Mir R/o Sopore, Baramulla.

Sources said the injury suggested a gunshot wound with an entry point on the right side of the axilla and the bullet exit near the left shoulder tip. Army said investigation on antecedents of the suspect is underway.

In the second incident, in the Ballawar area of J&K's border district of Kathua, the body of 25-year-old Makhan Din son of Murid was recovered. He had allegedly committed suicide.

The locals said Makhan and his father were picked up by police last evening and taken to a nearby police station.

"In the police station, Makhan was brutally tortured and a confessional statement was forcibly taken from him. Then he was released. After his release, he went to the Masjid and swore by the name of Almighty that he did not see any militant and police forcefully recorded his statement," they said.

JD(U) seeks probe into charitable foundation funds to PK's Jan Suraaj

RAMASHANKAR @Patna

BIHAR chief minister Nitish Kumar's JD(U) on Thursday accused Jan Suraaj Party (JSP) founder Prashant Kishor of financing his party through funds from a charitable company in contravention of the law and demanded a probe.

JD(U) chief spokesperson and MLC Neeraj Kumar alleged Kishor got funds from Joy of Giving Global Foundation, which is registered as a company under the Companies Act. He claimed that JGGF carried out political activities in the garb of a charitable foundation and even enjoyed tax exemptions.

He charged the charitable foundation with committing serious irregularities in financial transactions as the foundation received donations worth ₹48.75 crore from various companies during 2023-24. Strangely, the capital base of these companies was lower than their donations, he alleged. He said Kishor should explain why he had donated ₹50 lakh to the charitable organisation and whether it came from his personal income or "unaccounted-for" income.

He said the financial statements of Kishor and his party's EBC Cell chief, Rambali Singh, were contradictory. He said while Kishor claimed that the party was not facing any financial crunch, Singh stated that it didn't even have a bank account.

In an informal chat with a group of journalists recently, Kishor had claimed that he was running the party from the money he earned as a poll strategist, working for several political parties. "Don't need to bother about funds to run the party. I will use my 'skill' and earn crores of rupees," he said in response to a query.

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POSSESSION NOTICE

Under Rule - 8 (1) (For immovable property)
HTL 35187646279 & 36734159562

Please note that the Demand Notice dated 02.02.2018 issued under section 13(2) and possession notice dated 11.4.2018 u/s 13(4) of SARFAESI Act, 2002 and its paper publication dated 12.4.2018 and subsequent action initiated based on the said Possession Notice dated 11.04.2018 stands withdrawn.

WHEREAS, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **State Bank of India** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **04.11.2024** calling upon the Borrower/Mortgagor**, Mr N Krishna Prasad,** S/o. Mr Nalinakshan Krishnapillai, Flat No.312, 'Paras Manyata' Apartments, 3rd Floor, Behind Manyata Tech Park Gate No.5, Dr S R K Nagar, Rachenahalli, Bengaluru-560 077 **Also at: (i)** Flat No.B-105, First Floor, 'Hexa Supreme' Apartments, Begur Cross Road, Near New Sri Rama Temple, Chowdeshwari Nagar, Devarachikkana halli, Bengaluru-560 076 **(ii)** No.D-5, 4th Floor, 'Magnum CR Shelter', Plot Nos.18 & 19, (147/93), Near Vemana Charitable Trust, Begur, Devarachikkanahalli, Bengaluru-560 076 **(iii) Mr N Krishna Prasad, C/o. M/s Pays Wealth,** No.93, Above Food World, Wheelers Road, Cox Town, Bengaluru-560 006, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.1,00,55,476/-** (Rupees One Crore Fifty Five Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Six Only) as on **29.10.2024**+ interest from **30.10.2024** + incidental expenses within 60 days from the date of the said notice.

The Borrower/Mortgagor having failed to repay the amount in full as mentioned in the Demand Notice, notice is hereby given to the Borrower/ Mortgagor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on **05.02.2025.**

The Borrower/Mortgagor in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the below mentioned property and any dealings with the said property will be subject to the charge of the **State Bank of India** for an aggregate amount of **Rs.1,04,12,807/-** (Rupees One Crore Four Lakh Twelve Thousand Eight Hundred Seven Only) as on **04.02.2025** and interest from **05.02.2025** + expenses thereon.

The borrowers/mortgagor's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY(ENTIRE PROPERTY) : All that piece and parcel of the Residentially Converted land bearing Sy. No.291/1 (Converted from agricultural to non agricultural residential purpose vide Official Memorandum No.ALN/(SB) (BH)/SR.68/12-13, dated 29.08.2013 by Special Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru District) having BBMP Khatha No.145/ Sy. No.291/1, situated at Begur Village, Begur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, measuring 35 guntas and bounded on: East by: Remaining portion of land in same Sy. No.291/1, West by: Remaining portion of land in same Sy. No.291/1, North by: Boundary and Road, South by: Land bearing Sy. No.293.

MORTGAGED PROPERTY : SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY: 686 sq. ft. undivided share, right, title and interest in the land comprised in the Schedule "A" Property.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of Residential Apartment No.B-105, First Floor, measuring a total super built area of 1725 square feet consisting of 3 Bedrooms in the Multistoried Residential Apartment Building known as "SUPREME", constructed over the Schedule 'A' Property and inclusive of proportionate share in the common areas such as passage, lobbies, lift, staircase and other areas of common area and the building is of RCC roofing as per specification appended hereto with separate electricity, common water and sanitation, including all rights, title, interest, privileges, appurtenances, together with a covered car parking area in the basement/Stilt Floor, standing in the name of Mr N Krishna Prasad vide Sale Deed dated 02.09.2015 and registered as document No.BMH-1-03724/2015-16 & CD No.BMHD714 dated 02.09.2015 at SRO, Bommanahalli, Bengaluru Urban District.

Place:Bengaluru
Date: 05.02.2025

Sd/- Authorised Officer
State Bank of India,
Stressed Assets Recovery Branch, Bengaluru

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer (Project - East),
Nethaji Subhash Chandra Bose Building (PUB),
21st Floor, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Bengaluru - 560001.

No: EE/P-E/Tend/09/2024-25 **Date: 06-02-2025**

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)

(Single & Two Cover System) (Through GOK KPP Portal only)

The Executive Engineer (Project - East Division), East Zone, BBMP, Bengaluru invites tenders from eligible Contractors registered in BBMP / KPWD / CPWD / Railways / MES / National Highway or any State Government Organizations for the Construction of Works detailed below.

(Standard Tender Document - KW-1, KW-2 & KW-3)

Sl. No.	Name of the Work / Category
	Construction of Valleyball Court of BBMP below Schools
1	Girls High School, Austin Town. **(Others) - Approximated Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs): 9.30, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 23250.00**
2	Boys High School, Austin Town. **(Others) - Approximated Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs): 9.20, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 23000.00**
3	Bradway High School. **(ST) - Approximated Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs): 9.28, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 11600.00**
4	Supplying, Installation and Commissioning of R.O Plant at BBMP Nursery Schools / Primary Schools / High Schools / PU and Degree Colleges in Shanthinagara, Shivajinagara & Pulikeshinagara Constituency in East Zone. **(Package-01) CAT-II (A) - Approximated Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs): 23.30, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 50000.00**
	Providing and Installation of Rain Water Harvesting to BBMP Nursery / Primary / High Schools / PU and Degree Colleges below Constituency in East Zone.
5	Shanthinagara, Shivajinagara and Pulikeshinagara **(Package-02) CAT-II (A) - Approximated Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs): 49.00, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 98000.00**
6	C.V. Raman Nagara, Hebbala and Sarvagnanagara. **(Package-03) (Others) - Approximated Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs): 19.80, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 49500.00**
	Estimate for Face Lifting, Repairs, Up-gradation and Other Necessary Works below Ward Schools.
7	Ward No. 111. **(Others) - Approximated Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs): 6.00, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 15000.00**
8	Ward No. 110. **(Others) - Approximated Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs): 29.00, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 58000.00**
9	Ward No. 80. **(SC) - Approximated Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs): 15.00, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 18750.00**
10	Ward No. 89. **(SC) - Approximated Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs): 9.00, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 11250.00**
11	Ward No. 116. **(Others) - Approximated Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs): 23.00, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 50000.00**
12	Ward No. 63. **(Others) - Approximated Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs): 20.00, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 50000.00**
13	Ward No. 92. **(CAT-1) - Approximated Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs): 31.00, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 62000.00**
	Repairs, Up-gradation and Other Necessary Works below in Ward No.98, Jogupalya.
14	Primary School. **(Others) - Approximated Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs): 15.00, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 37500.00**
15	High School. **(Others) - Approximated Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs): 20.00, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 50000.00**
16	Girls College. **(SC) - Approximated Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs): 27.00, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 27000.00**
17	Construction of Shishuvihara and Primary School at Maya Bazar Slum, near Austin Town, Bengaluru. **(Others) - Approximated Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs): 140.00, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 2,10,000.00**

Calendar of Events: 1) Tender Documents may be downloaded from the GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from 12-02-2025. 2)** Last Date for Uploading the Filled Tender Document: **20-02-2025 upto 4.00 PM. 3)** Date of Opening of the Technical Bid: **21-02-2025 after 4.30 PM.** Further details can be had from the above office.

Sd/- Executive Engineer (Project - East Division), BBMP.

KARNATAKA SKILL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

(Govt. of Karnataka undertaking)
"Kaushalya Bhavan" 3rd Floor, Near Dairy Circle,
Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru-560029,
Phone: 080-29522222/29550555
E-mail: sankalp_portal@kaushalkar.com

No. KSDC/SANKALP/PN/CR-08/2023-24 **Date: 06.02.2025**

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Karnataka Skill Development Corporation has invited the Tender in two cover bid systems as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 2000 through the e-procurement portal. Bids are invited from the eligible and registered Partners for the services for **"Tender for procurement and supply of learning kits under SANKALP scheme for specially abled persons trained in tailoring job roles-"** Tender No. KSDC/2024-25/IND0006/CALL-2. Last date for submission of tender documents in e-portal is 19-02-2025, 05:30PM. The e-Tender notification documents, tender processing fees & other details are available in the e-procurement web portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/** Help Desk: Phone No. +91-8046010000/ + 91-8068948777 or you may also contact the office during working hours.

Sd/- Executive Director-3
KSDC, Bengaluru

DIPR/CP/4904/AKAR/2024-25

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to public at large that **Mr. SUPREETH GORI PADMANABHAIAH,** aged 40 years, S/o Mr. Padmanabhaiah G J, residing at No. 446, 11th B Cross, 25th Main, J P Nagar 1st Phase, Bangalore, Karnataka-560078. My client is willing to purchase the Schedule property from present property owners **Mrs. SHYAMALA JAGAPATHI and Mrs. ALATHUR REKHA,** who have owned the property through Registered Sale Deed dt. 21-11-1996, registered as Doc.No.3503/1996-97 of Book I, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, my client further states that any disputes in ownership or possession of the schedule property, members of the public are hereby notified that if anyone having any adverse claim in respect of the said property hereby advised to place their claim with appropriate written evidences. Please note that claims received without written evidence within **15 days** from the date of publication of this notice thereafter will not be entertained. Site No.193, Compressed in Sy. Nos.22/1 & 2 and 111/1 & 2, situated at Bangalore MICO Shramajeevi Karmikara Gruha Nirmana Sahakara Sangha Niyamitha, Arakere, 2nd Stage Layout, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, measuring East to West: 30 feet; North to South: 40 feet in all measuring 1200Sq. feet with RCC roofed vitrified flooring residential building constructed there consisting of Ground floor measuring 65.61 Sq. Mt, First Floor measuring 65.61 Sq. Mt, Second Floor measuring 26.32 Sq. Mt, all together totally measuring 157.54 Square Mts of built-up area together with electricity connection, water connection sanitary connection with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and bounded on the; East by :Site No.194; West by :Site No.192; North by: Road; South by :Site No.206.

Mahesh Kumar M.H., Advocate
No.56/A, 3rd Cross, 24th Main,
J. P. Nagar 2nd Phase, Bangalore-78.
Ph:9686751274.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are informed that my client **SRI. SRINIVASA V,** residing at #21 and 22, Bagalagunte, Vijayalskshmi Layout, Near Phoenix School, Maramma Temple, Bagalagunte, Bengaluru-560073. Our client **MR. SRINIVASA V** is the absolute owner schedule property acquired through a Registered Sale Deed bearing Doc. No. 8621/2011-12.

Our client has lost Original Registered Sale deed bearing **Doc. No. PNY-1-02056/08-09** dated 06.09.2008 C.D. No. PNYD419 registered in the Office of the Sub-Registrar Peenya, in respect of the bearing Site No. 21 and 22, Khatha No. 675, Assessment No. 67/5, measuring East to West 50 Feet and North to South on Eastern side 40 Feet, on Western side 68 Feet, in all measuring 2700 Square Feet, situated at Bagalugunte Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, presently within the limits of BBMP and bounded on:

East by : Road,
West by : Others property,
North by : Site No. 19 and 20,
South by : Road.

While in their custody. The said property is in possession of **MR. SRINIVASA .V** and is absolutely free from any encumbrance whatsoever.

My Client had lost the above mentioned Sale deed & Inspite of several efforts the Original Sale Deed has not found and he has lodged the police complaint through online dated 06.02.2025 Lost Report No. 1465533/2025.

If any person found or anyone having any claim or interest over the said property, he/she is requested to forward their claims along with the relevant documents to us within 07 days of this public notice. If we do not receive any claim from any person **within 07 days,** it will be strictly presumed that this property is absolutely free from any claim or encumbrance and no one has any claim over this property and if any One found the above deed kindly contact below mentioned.

PREMA B DUBALE
FFD VI, 4th Floor Sampoorna Chambers, Vasavi Temple Road, V.V. Puram, Bengaluru-560004.
Ph.: 080-42053588 / 080-42296969

Department of Public Libraries

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR, CITY CENTRAL LIBRARY, NORTH ZONE, MALLESHWARAM, BANGALORE-560 003.
Tel: 080-23567065, E-mail: cclnzlibrary@gmail.com

No:- CCL/NZ/ACT/86/ST&CL/1420/2024-25, Date:- 05-02-2025.

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through kpp portal only)

Tender in two cover System are invited for the year 2024-25 from eligible firms/companies for **Supply of Stationary Items & Cleaning Items to City Central Library, Northzone, Malleshwaram, Bangalore.** Interested Firms/Companies can participate in the Tender through **website.: https://www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** through e-Procurement Portal of Government of Karnataka.

The Amount put to tender is **Rs. 25.00 Lakhs.** EMD amount for the Tender is **Rs. 50,000/-**

Last date for Submission of Tenders is **13-02-2025 Upto 2.00 PM.** Technical Bids will be opened on **14-02-2025 at 3.00 PM.** Financial Bids will be opened on **21-02-2025 at 3.00 PM.**

The Bidders may also contact undersigned for further details in this office on working hours only.

Sd/- Deputy Director,
City Central Library, North Zone,
Malleshwaram, Bangalore.

DIPR/CP/AAPL/RO4878/24-25

Public Notice For E-Auction For Sale of Immovable Properties

Sale of Immovable property mortgaged to IIFL Home Finance Limited (Formerly known as India Infoline Housing Finance Ltd.) (IIFL-HFL) Corporate Office at Plot No. 98, Udyog Vihar, Phase-IV, Gurgaon-122015 (Haryana) and **Branch Office** at "SOMA MERIT, No.9, Ground Floor, Venkataswamy Naidu Street, Taskar Town, Shivajinagar, Bangalore-560001" under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002(hereinafter "Act"). Whereas the Auhorized Officer ("AO") of IIFL-HFL had taken the possession of the following property/ies pursuant to the notice issued U/S 13(2) of the Act in the following loan accounts/prospect nos. with a right to sell the same on "AS IS WHERE IS, AS IS WHAT IS BASIS and WITHOUT RECOURSE BASIS" for realization of IIFL-HFL's dues, The Sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the website: www.iiflonehome.com

Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Description of the Immovable property/ Secured Asset	Date of symbolic Possession	Reserve Price
1. Mrs. Hebbalu Chinnaswamy Ramyamalini 2. Mr. Honasigere Chikkanna Chandrashekhar (Prospect No IL10389946)	**12-Jun-2024 Rs. 49,15,425/-** (Rupees Forty Nine Lakh Fifteen Thousand Four Hundred and Twenty Five Only)	All that part and parcel of the property bearing Flat no. T2, in Third Floor of Ramya Tulip constructed on Site nos.30, 31 & 32, Katha no.329/141/280/30, 31, 32 in SY.no.1 situated at AMS Layout, Chikkabettahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobili, Bangalore North tq, Bangalore dist, Karnataka, 560097. Area Admeasuring (In Sq. Ft.): Property Type: Super_Built_Up_Area, Carpet_Area, Area_Admeasuring Property Area: 1150.00, 862.00, 268.04.	**23-Aug-2024**	**Rs. 46,56,000/-** (Rupees Forty Six Lakh Fifty Six Thousand Only)
	Bid Increase Amount Rs.40,000/- (Rupees Forty Thousand Only)		**Total Outstanding as On Date 09-Jan-2025 Rs. 52,58,343/-** (Rupees Fifty Two Lakh Fifty Eight Thousand Three Hundred Forty Three Only)	**Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.4,65,600/-** (Rupees Four Lakh Sixty Five Thousand Six Hundred Only)

Date of Inspection of property	EMD Last Date	Date/ Time of E-Auction
17-Mar-2025 1100 hrs -1400 hrs.	**19-Mar-2025 till 5 pm.**	**21-Mar-2025 1100 hrs-1300 hrs.**

Mode of Payment :- EMD payments are to be made vide online mode only. To make payments you have tovisit https://www.iiflonehome.com and pay through link available for the property/ Secured Asset only. Note: Payment link for each property/ Secured Asset is different. Ensure you are using link of the property/ Secured Asset you intend to buy vide public auction.**For Balance Payment - Login https://www.iiflonehome.com >My Bid >Pay Balance Amount. Important information: This auction is published basis possession vide Sec 13 (4) of SARFAESI Act. Physical possession will be offered post receiving of Section -14 order as per process laid down under SARFAESI Act and as and when physical possession will be taken. Bidder shall do necessary due-diligence in respect of documents and legality before participating in auction proceedings**

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:-

1. For participating in e-auction, Intending bidders required to register their details with the Service Provider **https://www. iiflonehome.com** well in advance and has to create the login account, login ID and password. Intending bidders have to submit / send their "Tender FORM" along with the payment details towards EMD, copy of the KYC and PAN card at the above mentioned Branch Office.
2. The bidders shall improve their offer in multiple of amount mentioned under the column "Bid Increase Amount". In case bid is placed in the last 5 minutes of the closing time of the auction, the closing time will automatically get extended for 5 minutes.
3. The successful bidder should deposit 25% of the bid amount (after adjusting EMD) within 24 hours of the acceptance of bid price by the AO and the balance 75% of the bid amount within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. All deposit and payment shall be in the prescribed mode of payment.
4. The purchaser has to bear the cess, applicable stamp duty, fees, and any other statutory dues or other dues like municipal tax, electricity charges, land and all other incidental costs, charges including all taxes and rates outgoings relating to the property.
5. The purchaser has to pay TDS application to the transaction/payment of sale amount and submit the TDS certificate with IIFL HFL.
6. **Bidders are advised to go through the website https: //www.iiflonehome.com and https://www.iifl.com/home-loans/properties-for-auction for detailed terms and conditions of auction sale & auction application form before submitting their Bids for taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings.**
7. **For details, help procedure and online training on e-auction prospective bidders may contact the service provider E mail ID:-care@iiflonehome.com, Support Helpline Numbers:@1800 2672 499.**
8. **For any query related to Property details, Inspection of Property and Online bid etc. call IIFL HFL toll free no. 1800 2672 499 from 09:30 hrs to 18:00 hrs between Monday to Friday or write to email:- care@iiflonehome.com**
9. Notice is hereby given to above said borrowers to collect the household articles, which were lying in the secured asset at the time of taking physical possession within 7 days, otherwise IIFL-HFL shall not be responsible for any loss of property under the circumstances.
10. Further the notice is hereby given to the Borrower/s, that in case they fail to collect the above said articles same shall be sold in accordance with Law.
11. In case of default in payment at any stage by the successful bidder / auction purchaser within the above stipulated time, the sale will be cancelled and the amount already paid will be forfeited (including EMD) and the property will be again put to sale.
12. AO reserves the rights to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and condition of tender/auction without assigning any reason thereof. In case of any dispute in tender/Auction, the decision of AO of IIFL-HFL will be final.

STATUTARY 30 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 8 (6) OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002

The Borrower are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned above along with upto dated interest and ancillary expenses before the date of Tender/Auction, failing which the property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and cost.

Place:-Bangalore, Date: 07-Feb-2025 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, IIFL Home Finance Limited.**

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521

No. CGM(Tech)/DGM-(APCC & Proc)/EE/AEE/2024-25 **Date:06.02.2025**

BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION

(THROUGH KARNATAKA PUBLIC PROCUREMENT PORTAL ONLY)

Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited invites Bids on electronic mode against the following Tender Enquiry Nos. as detailed below:

Sl.No.	Tender Enquiry Number and Description
1.	Tender Enquiry No: **KPTCL/2024-25/IND0162 (Short Term Tender)**
	Design, Manufacture, Testing and supply of **1815 Nos. of 66kV class Current Transformers along with 256 Nos. of Marshalling Box** conforming to KPTCL technical specification, F.O.R.D at Store/Site basis, including insurance, transportation and unloading.
	Availability of Bid documents in KPP Portal: **On or after 10.02.2025 @15:00 Hrs.** Last date & time for receipt of Bids: **25.02.2025 @ 15:00 Hrs.**
2.	Tender Enquiry No: **KPTCL/2024-25/IND0164.**
	Design, Manufacture, Testing and supply of **336 Nos. of 110kV class Current Transformers along with 103Nos. of Marshalling Box** conforming to KPTCL technical specification, F.O.R.D at Store/Site basis, including insurance, transportation and unloading.
	Availability of Bid documents in KPP Portal: **On or after 12.02.2025 @ 15:00Hrs.** Last date & time for receipt of Bids: **15.03.2025 @ 15:00 Hrs.**

The bids will be received through electronic tendering mode only. The details regarding participation in the e-tendering process can be obtained by logging on to KPTCL website **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** with hyperlink **"E Procurement KPTCL"** or **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** Any extension of Due date for Bid submission will be intimated in the Karnataka Public Procurement Portal. Any details required in this regard can also be had from the Office of the undersigned during Office hours.

All Corrigendum/Addendums shall be noticed by the bidders before the last date of submission of the Bids.

Sd/- Chief General Manager (Tech),
KPTCL, Corporate Office, 2nd Floor, Kaveri Bhavan, Bengaluru – 560 009

BENGALURU METROPOLITAN TRANSPORT CORPORATION

Accounts Department: Central Offices : Shantinagar, Bengaluru-560 027.
Ph: 080-22537440, 416, 436

No.: BMTC/CO/ACC/B&F/264/2024-25 Date : 06.02.2025

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Subject: Availment of Government Guaranteed Rs.589.20 Crore Term Loan for clearance of Outstanding liability.

The Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTC), invites Expressions of Interest (EOI) from all eligible Financial Institutions/ Scheduled Commercial Banks for the sanction of a term loan amounting to **Rs.589.20 Crore** (Five Hundred Eighty Nine Crore Twenty Lakh only). The loan is intended for the clearance of outstanding liabilities, subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. Loan amount **Rs.589.20 Crore** will be drawn as per requirement.
2. The tenure of the Loan shall be for 7 years.
3. The State Government has accorded a Guarantee for both primary and collateral security.
4. Offer is invited to sanction of Loan at One Month/Three Months/Half Year/Yearly MCLR /RLLR Rate of the Bank. BMTC reserves the right to avail of the loan at the rate which is most beneficial to the Corporation.
5. Payment of processing fee/up-front fee/pre-payment charges/Annual inspection charges or any other charges, shall be waived.
6. BMTC reserves the right to accept or reject any or all EOIs without assigning any reason and shall not be liable for any expenses incurred by the applicants in the preparation and submission of the EOIs.
7. Interested Banks/Institutions are requested to submit their detailed proposals, including Confirmation of compliance with the above terms and conditions, Quoted interest rate and detailed calculation methodology, Terms of disbursement, repayment schedule, and other relevant details.
8. All Scheduled Commercial Banks and Financial Institutions can participate in the tender and shall submit their proposal in a sealed cover, addressed to CAO-FA, BMTC, CENTRAL OFFICES, K.H. Road, Shanthi Nagar, Bengaluru 560 027, super scribed with "Expression of Interest for sanction of Term Loan of **Rs.589.20 Crore".**
9. The sealed cover of the Expression of Interest shall be personally deposited in the box kept at the office of the Chief Accounts Officer-FA, Central Offices, BMTC **on or before 19.02.2025 at 3.00 p.m**
10. For more details, please contact mobile numbers 7760991241 or 7760991246.

Sd/-
Chief Accounts Officer cum F.A.

QuoteExpress **IT ALWAYS SEEMS IMPOSSIBLE UNTIL IT'S DONE**) NELSON MANDELA

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client **Sri. Murthy B.R.** S/o. Sri. Ramakrishnappa, Residing at house No. 9/1, Near, Panchayat office, Bidaraguppe, Bangalore-562107, have been lost/misplaced the following original parental deeds :-

1) Sale deed dated 20-11-2002, vide registered document No.5805/2002-03, Book-I, Ank-CD No.15/2002-03, in the office of the sub-registrar Anekal, executed by Sri.B.V.Krishnamurthy s/o Late B.Ramaiah in favour of Sri.Ramaiah s/o Hosur Krishnappa.
2) Sale deed dated 24-11-2006, vide registered document No.27570/2006-07, Book-I, Stored in CD No. ANKD178, in the office of the sub-registrar Anekal, executed by Sri.B.C.Manjunath represented by his GPA holder Sri.Venkataswamy in favour of Sri. B.G.Anjinappa s/o late B.H.Gundareddy.
3) Sale deed dated 02-11-2007, vide registered document No.3246/2007-08, Stored in CD No.ABLD 10, in the office of the sub-registrar Attibele executed by Sri. B.S.Anjinappa s/o late B.H.Gundareddy, in favour of Sri.A.B.Ramesh.
4) Agreement of Sale dated 12-06-2018, vide registered document No.1695/2018-19, Book-I, Stored in CD No. CMPD200, in the office of the sub-registrar Chamarajpet executed by Sri. A.B.Ramesh, in favour of Sri. Anraj Bhandari, Sri. Prakash Bafna, Sri.Rajendra Kumar and Sri.Narayan Kumar.
5) Sale deed dated 06-01-1960, vide registered document No.2698/1959-60, Book-I, Volume No.877, pages 172-173, in the office of the sub-registrar Anekal, executed by Smt.Lakshmamma w/o Sri.B.U.Venkateshaiah in favour of Sri.Krishnappa S/o Chikka Nanjappa.
6) Sale deed dated 25-04-1966, vide registered as document No.280/1966-67, Book-I, Volume No.1027, pages 183-184, in the office of the sub-registrar Anekal, executed by Sri.Krishnappa s/o Nanjappa in favour of Sri. Govindappa s/o Avalappa.
7) Sale deed dated 26-11-1974, vide registered document No.2693/1974-75, Book-I, Volume No.1227, pages 38-39, in the office of the Anekal, executed by Sri. Govindappa s/o Avalappa, in favour of Sri. Krishnappa S/o Nanjappa.
8) Sale deed dated 16-12-1985, vide registered document No.1201/1985-86, Book-I, Volume No.1406, pages 45 to 47, in the office of the sub-registrar Anekal, executed by Sri. Krishnappa S/o Nanjappa, in favour of Sri.Chandrappa, Somashekara represented by Smt.Muniyamma.
9) Sale deed dated:20-07-1942, vide registered document No.88/1942-43, Book-I, Volume No.496, pages.233-235, in the office of the sub-registrar Anekal, executed by Smt.Annapurnamma w/o Subbarayappa in favour of Smt.Achamma w/o Late Chinnappa.
10) Sale deed dated:27-07-1945, vide registered document No.213/1945-46, Book-I, Volume No.544, pages 143-145, in the office of the sub-registrar Anekal, executed by Smt. Achamma w/o Late Chinnappa in favour of Smt.Annapurnamma w/o Subbarayappa.
11) Sale deed dated:25-04-2006, vide registered document No.3044/2006-07, Book-I, Stored in CD No ANKD116, in the office of the sub-registrar Anekal executed by Sri.B.S.Krishnamurthy s/o Late B.R.Sriramaiah in favour of Sri.B.S.Balaji s/o Late B.R.Sriramaiah.
12) Sale deed dated:24-11-2006, vide registered document No.27560/2006-07, Book-I, Stored in CD No. ANKD-178, in the office of the sub-registrar Anekal executed by Sri.B.S. Balaji, Smt.Lakshmi, master Nikhil and Swathi represented by Smt.Lanksmi in favour of Sri.B.G.Anjinappa s/o Late B.H.Gundareddy.
13) Sale deed dated:02-11-2007, vide registered document No.3254/2007-08, Book-I, Stored in CD No ABLD10, in the office of the sub-registrar Attibele executed by Sri.B.G.Anjinappa s/o Late B.S.Gundareddy and Smt.Hemalatha w/o Sri.B.G.Anjinappa in favour of Sri.A.B.Ramesh s/o Sri.A.G.Byyareddy.
14) Sale deed dated:21-01-2008, vide registered document No.4977/2007-08, Book-I, Stored in CD No. ABLD16, in the office of the sub-registrar Attibele executed by of Sri. B.S. Sundar Raj S/o Late B.R.Sriramaiah and Swapna w/o Sri.B.S.Sunda Raj in favour of Sri.A.B.Ramesh Sri.A.G.Byyareddy.

My client further declared that the said original mother deeds/documents mentioned above have not been mortgaged to any bank, financial institution, Housing finance company or any other private money lender etc., in any manner, whatsoever OR not produced in any court and not seized by any Central or State Government authority for the reason whatsoever and no charge has been created on the above mentioned lost/misplaced mother deeds/sale deeds. Any person/s or has/have any objection charge, lien, right, title, interest and claim on the title deeds in any manner should lodge his/her/their/its objections or claims with supporting documents to the undersigned within **Fifteen days (15 Days)** of the issuance of this Public Notice, after which period it will be presumed that there are no claims of whatsoever nature on the original sale deeds and or on the Property mentioned in the above deeds.

My Client has Lodged a Police Complaint on 31/01/2025 under acknowledgment issued by the Station House Officer, Attibele Police Station, Anekal Taluk, bearing GSC No. PO133225060105.

Sd/- **M.V. MANJUNATHA,** BA.LLB, Advocate
S.T.B.Complex, Attibele Main Road, Anekal Town, Bangalore-562106. Mob. 9901008041

UCO BANK

(A Govt. of India Undertaking)

Asset Management Branch (2117)
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PUBLIC NOTICE OF E-AUCTION SALE (FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY)

(In terms of the Securitization & Reconstruction of Financial Assets & Enforcement of Security Interest (SARFAESI) Act 2002)

Whereas the Authorized Officer of the Bank has issued a Demand notice under Section 13(2) of **SARFAESI ACT 2002** and thereafter in exercise of powers under Section 13(12) of SARFAESI ACT 2002 has taken possession of properties mortgaged to Bank under Section 13(4) of the SARFAESI ACT 2002. The undersigned in the capacity of Authorized Officer has decided for sale of the following properties to public by E-auction and invite bids from the intending purchasers for purchase of immovable properties mentioned hereunder on **"AS IS WHERE IS" & "AS IS WHAT IS"** basis.

Sl No	Name & Address of Borrowers/Guarantors	a) Date of Demand Notice b) Date of Possession c) Present Outstanding Dues	a) Date & time for Inspection of the property b) Bid submission last date c) Date and time of e-auction	a) Reserve Price b) EMD Amount c) Bid Increase Amount
1.	**1. M/s. Mathru Buildtech Pvt Ltd** Registered Address: #100,7th Main, 3rd Block, 4th Stage, Basaveshwarnagar, Bangalore-560079 **2. Mr. Sarveshkumar Malangi (Director)** Residing At: #4, Olety Kalyani, 1st Main Road, 9th Cross, Nagarbhavi Main Road, Kalyan Nagar,Moodalapalya, Bengaluru-560 004 **3. Mr.M Satish Kumar (Director)** Residing At: #202, 7th Main, 7th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru-560003, **Also At:** Flat No. 15, 98 Perlpavor, 5th Main, 13 th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bangalore -560003. **4. Mr. Umesh Omkarappa Kulavalli (Director)** Residing At: #92, Balaji Nagar, Vishwaneedam, Byadarahalli, Bengaluru-560091 **5. Mr. Huckumchand (Director)** Residing At: No.37/1/3, S Kariyappa Road, Jayanagar, Bengaluru – 560004 **Also At: Mr. Huckumchand** S/o- Late Sri. S. C. Sohan Raj, Old No.37/1, New No. 227, Kanakpura Main Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore 560004 **6. Sri. S. Navarathanmal (Mortgagor) S/o- Late Sri. S. C. Sohan Raj 7. Sri.S. Huckumchand (Mortgagor) S/o- Late Sri. S. C. Sohan Raj 8. Smt. Santhosh Bai (Mortgagor) W/o Late Sri. S. Mahaveerchand, 9. Smt. Maina Bai (Mortgagor) W/o- Late Sri. S. Sampath Raj,** All Mortgagors residing at: Old No.37/1, New No. 227, Kanakpura Main Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore 560004.	a) 26.07.2021 b) 13.10.2021 c) Rs.15,58,23,000/- as on 24.09.2024 plus unapplied interest, interest and charges	**a) 24.02.2025,** Between 10.00 AM to 5.00 PM **b) As per BAANKNET guidelines c) 25.02.2025** Between 1.00 PM to 5.00 PM	**a) Rs.8,42,00,000/- b) Rs.84,20,000/- c) Rs.1,00,000/-**
	Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel of Commercial immovable property jointly in the name of Smt. Maina Bai, Smt. Santosh Bai, Sri. S Navarathnamal and Sri Hukumchand bearing Old Municipal No.37/1 then New Municipal No.227 (37/1-227) and later assigned with Municipal Sub numbers 227/1,227/2,227/3,227/4, 227/5 and 227/6 with PID No.59-22-37/1-227/1,59-22-37/1-227/2, 59-22-37/1-227/3, 59-22-37/1-227/4, 59-22-37/1-227/5 and 59-22-37/1-227/6 situated at Kanakapura Road later came to be known as South Cross Road now known and called as S. Kariyappa Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore presently under Mahanagara Palike present Ward No.59, Yediur, Bangalore and the Site measuring East to West 175 Feet, North to South 40 Feet in all measuring 7000 Sq Ft. represented by GPA Holder Shri Hukumchand S and bounded by: **East By:** Yediyur Tank Bed, **West By:** South Cross Road now S Kariyappa Road, **North By:** Private Property, **South By:** Private Property. **Property jointly in the name of: 1) Smt. Maina Bai, 2) Smt. Santosh Bai, 3) Sri. S Navarathnamal 4) Sri Hukumchand. Details of Encumbrances: Not Known**			
2.	**1.Sri. Vasanth Kumar S. S/o Mottappa Srinivas 2.Smt. Rekha V W/o Vasanth Kumar S Both Residing at:** # E 157A, Kamma Gondan Halli, Abbigere Main Road, Left Side, 16th Main, Bangalore 560015.	a) 16.07.2018 b) 11.10.2018 c) Rs.1,09,71,977.81/- as on 31.12.2024 plus unapplied interest, interest and charges.	**a) 24.02.2025,** 10.00 AM - 5.00 PM **b)As per BAANKNET guidelines c) 25.02.2025** 01.00 PM - 5.00 PM	**a) Rs.1,21,70,000/- b) Rs.12,17,000/- c) Rs.25,000/-**
	Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel of immovable Property bearing No.22 comes under the jurisdiction of BBMP-Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike situated at KAMMAGONDANAHALLI VILLAGE, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk duly converted for residential purpose vide No. B.D.S/ALN 48 / 1937-38 dated 10.08.1937 and measuring East to West (29.0+34.6)/ 2 Feet and North to South 61 Feet in totally measuring 1936.75 Square Feet and bounded on : - **East by :-** Road, **West by:-** Site No.19, **North by:-** Site No.21, **South by:-** Road. **Property in the name of: Mrs. Rekha V. Details of Encumbrances: Not Known**			
3.	**1.Mr. Gopal Karthik Bharta S/o Gopal Krishna Bharta,** No.776, 17th F3 Main, 6th Cross, 6th Block Koramangala, Bangalore-560 095 **Office Address: M/s.Om Sai Consultants Proprietor-Mr. Gopal Karthik Bharta,** No.140-141, 2nd Floor Jindal Building, 100 Feet Road, Koramangala, Bangalore-560 034. **2. Mrs.Sandhya Raj. C W/o Gopal Karthik Bharta,** No-107 , 1st No.776, 17th F3 Main, 6th Cross, 6th Block Koramangala, Bangalore-560 095.	a) 02.05.2017 b) 25.07.2017 c) Rs.1,34,08,321/- as on 16.10.2024 plus unapplied interest, interest and charges	**a) 24.02.2025,** 10.00 AM - 5.00 PM **b) As per BAANKNET guidelines c) 25.02.2025** 01.00 PM - 5.00 PM	**a) Rs.1,02,40,000/- b) Rs.10,24,000/- c) Rs.25,000/-**
	Description of the Immovable Property: Schedule 'A' Property: All that piece and parcel of the land together with building thereon, bearing **No.471 and 473,** situated at HAL Sanitary Board Area, Murugesh Palya, Bangalore-560 017, a multi storied apartment constructed in the name and style of **"GEM WELLINGTON"** consisting of basement, ground floor, seven upper floor and Pent House to accommodate show rooms, residential flats, common service and parking spaces and measuring 1518.76 square meter bounded on : **East by :** Petrol Bunk, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Sri. Kamalchand's Property, **South by :** Sri. Ramesh Kumar's Property. **Schedule 'B' Property:** All that piece and parcel of the residential **Flat bearing No.G1, Corporation No.127/50, New No.127/51** situated at 6th Floor of the **"GEM WELLINGTON APARTMENTS", Airport Road, Murugesh Palya, Kodihalli Village,** measuring **1729 square feet** of super built up area and an undivided share of land measuring 434 square feet along with **Car Parking Slot No.20** in the Basement, bounded on: **East by :** Petrol Bunk, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Sri. Kamalchand's Property, **South by :** Sri. Ramesh Kumar's Property. **IN THE NAME OF: Mr.Gopal Karthik Bharta** **Details of Encumbrances:** Not Known.			

TERMS & CONDITIONS:

1. **The auction sale will be "online e-auction" and bidding will be through the website: https://baanknet.com/eauction-psb/home**
2. Bidders are advised to go through the website: https://baanknet.com/eauction-psb/home for detailed terms and conditions, login Id & password, uploading data, submitting bid, Training/Demonstration, inter-se bidding etc. of e-auction sale before submitting their bids and taking part in e-auction Sale proceeding of service provider M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited. For further details you may contact at e-mail : support.baanknet@psballiance.com and Contact No. +91 8291220220 or the undersigned authorised officer through e-mail: banamb@ucobank.co.in and Mobile No. **8327799501.**
3. The undersigned has the absolute right and discretion to accept or reject any bid or adjourn/postpone/cancel the Sale /modify any terms and conditions of the sale without any prior notice and assigning any reasons.
4. This publication is also 15 days' notice to the above borrower/mortgagor/of the above said loan about holding auction sale in the above manner under Rule 9(1), SARFAESI Act 2002 on the abovementioned dates if the outstanding dues are not paid in full.

Place: BANGALORE
Date: 07.02.2025

AUTHORISED OFFICER
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Female inmates raped and burnt to death in Goma jail break in DRC, UN says

GLOBAL WEATHER

Beijing	1	-6	SNY	Los Angeles	17	7	SNY
Colombo	30	25	SNY	Melbourne	22	15	SNY
Dhaka	28	17	SNY	Moscow	5	3	LC
Dubai	24	18	SNY	New York	5	3	LR
Houston	22	9	SNY	Singapore	31	24	SNY
Istanbul	15	8	SNY	Toronto	1	-12	LC
London	8	3	LR	Washington	11	7	LR

LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • LS: Light Snow • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Fresh violence in Bangladesh targets Bangabandhu's home

DHAKA

PROTESTERS in Bangladesh targeted the houses of several leaders of deposed prime minister Sheikh Hasina's Awami League and continued on Thursday with the demolition of a memorial in Dhaka to the country's founding leader Sheikh Mujibur Rahman.

On Wednesday night, protesters rallied in front of Mujibur Rahman's house in the capital's Dhanmondi area, now a memorial, following a social media call for a 'bulldozer procession' before Hasina's scheduled virtual address from exile in India. The mob set the house on fire.

Similar cases of arson were later reported from other parts of Bangladesh.

"They can demolish a building, but not the history... but they must also remember that history takes its revenge," Hasina said in her address on Wednesday night while her father's home was being demolished. An excavator was seen at work at the house continuing with the demolition.

The building in the adjacent plot which had housed the offices of several Awami League outfits was also being demolished. The violent demonstrators also defaced murals of Mujibur Rahman.

People watch as protesters use heavy machinery to demolish the residence of Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, Bangladesh's former leader, in Dhaka on Thursday | AP

The residence of Hasina's late husband Wajed Mian known as 'Sudha Sadan' on Road 5 in Dhanmondi was also set on fire by protesters late on Wednesday.

Since the ousting of the Hasina-led government on August 5, Sudha Sadan had been completely vacated.

The actions in Dhaka fuelled similar destructions in other parts of Bangladesh.

Protesters also demolished the home of Hasina's cousins Sheikh Helal Uddin and Sheikh Salauddin Jewel in Khulna City. Thousands of people gathered around the house, chanting "Delhi or Dhaka – Dhaka, Dhaka" and "Down with Mujibism".

Helal was the former MP of Bagerhat-1 and Salahuddin Jewel was the former MP of Khulna-2.

Protesting students also removed the name of Sheikh Mujibur Rahman from Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Hall of Dhaka University.

The homes of former lawmaker of Kushtia-3 and Awami League Joint General Secretary Mahbubul Alam Hanif and president of Kushtia Awami League Sadar Khan were also ransacked.

PTI

Israel prepares for voluntary Gaza emigration amidst global outrage

Trump claims Netanyahu would handover Gaza to the US after the war for redevelopment

CAIRO

ISRAEL said it has begun preparations for the departure of Palestinians from Gaza despite international rejection of President Donald Trump's plan to empty the territory of its population. Egypt has launched a diplomatic blitz behind the scenes against the proposal, warning it would put its peace deal with Israel at risk, officials said.

The Trump administration has already dialed back aspects of the proposal after it was widely rejected internationally, saying the relocation of Palestinians would be temporary.

In a social media post on Thursday, Trump said Israel would turn Gaza over to the United States after the war and that no US soldiers would be needed for his plan to redevelop it. The Palestinians have vehemently rejected Trump's proposal, fearing that Israel would never allow refugees to return. Egypt has warned that an expulsion of Palestinians would destabilize the region and undermine its peace treaty with Israel, a cornerstone of stability and American influence for decades.

Saudi Arabia, another key US ally, has also rejected any mass transfer of Palestinians and says it will not normalize relations with Israel — a key goal of the Trump administration — without the creation of a Palestinian state that includes Gaza.

Two children wait to get water next to a line of empty cans in Gaza City on Wednesday | AP

Trump and Israeli officials have depicted the proposed relocation from war-ravaged Gaza as voluntary, but the Palestinians have universally expressed their determination to remain in their homeland.

Trump and Israeli officials have not said how they would respond if Palestinians refuse to leave. But Human Rights Watch and other groups say the plan, if implemented, would amount to "ethnic cleansing," the forcible relocation of the civilian population of an ethnic group from a geographic area.

Israeli Defense Minister Israel Katz said on Thursday that he has ordered the military to make preparations to facilitate the emigration of large numbers of Palestinians from Gaza through land crossings as well as "special arrangements for exit by sea and air."

There were no immediate signs of such preparations on the ground.

Egyptian President Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi has not publicly responded to Trump's stunning proposal.

But Egyptian officials said Cairo has made clear to the Trump administration and Israel that it will resist any such proposal, and that the peace deal with Israel — which has stood for nearly half a century — is at risk.

One official said the message has been delivered to the Pentagon, the State Department and members of the US Congress.

A second official said it has also been conveyed to Israel and its Western European allies, including Britain, France and Germany.

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WAR WATCH

ISRAEL-GAZA: DAY 489

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ASIA MATTERS

23 TONNES OF DIESEL LEAK REPORTED

About 23 tonnes of diesel oil was leaked from the Police Coast Guard Brani Regional Base in southern Singapore into surrounding waters on Feb 5, *The Straits Times* reported. In a joint statement, the Singapore Police Force, Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore, the National Environment Agency said on Feb 6 that the oil leak was discovered at 11.40am on Feb 5 and "isolated" at about 3.40pm the same day. They said that about 23 tonnes of oil had leaked from a damaged shore fuel hose used to refuel patrol craft. Public saw patches of oil in the waters off Sentosa island.

BEIJING PROTESTS NAVAL DRILLS NEAR PHILIPPINES

TAIPEI: A flurry of naval drills surrounding the Philippines involving the United States and its partners has prompted complaints from Beijing, which claims the entire South China Sea and accuses Manila of colluding with others to destabilize the region. The US 7th Fleet based in Japan said forces from Australia, Japan, the Philippines, and the US conducted a "multilateral Maritime Cooperative Activity" within the Philippines' Exclusive Economic Zone on Wednesday. Such drills "strengthen the interoperability of our defense/armed forces doctrines, tactics, techniques, and procedures," the fleet said in a news release. The maneuvers were taking place within the Philippines' zone, but the fleet gave no details on the exact location. More exercises involving the US, Japan and France were planned for later this week in the Philippines Sea, which China does not claim. That exercise "is designed to advance coordination and cooperation between French, Japanese and US maritime forces while simultaneously demonstrating capabilities in multi-domain operations," the fleet said. The US aircraft carrier Carl Vinson, French carrier Charles De Gaulle and Japan's Izumo-class multi-functional destroyer Kaga will take part in the drill starting Saturday, along with their escorts and air wings, the fleet said. AP

PF OF RS. 50/- VIII No. 9468/24
DATED 05.02.2025 TOM TOM CHARGES OF RS. 1,000/- IS DEPOSITED VIDE D.No. 94
DATED : 06.02.2025
SPOT SALE : 27.02.2025
COURT SALE : 01.03.2025
FROM No. 29
PROCLAMATION OF SALE
(See Order XXI, RULE 66)
IN THE COURT OF THE 83RD ADDITIONAL CITY AND SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU
COM. EX. 492/2022
(COM. O.S. 559/2021)

DECREE HOLDER : M/s. Omkar Investments and Finance, No. 201/1, 1st Floor, Shiva Krupa, 5th Cross, 3rd Main Road, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru-560018.

JUDGMENT DEBTOR : 1. Mrs. Vandana Gopal Shinde, W/o. Gopal Pandurang Shinde, 55 years
2. Mr. Gopal Pandurang Shinde S/o. Pandurang Shinde, both are r/o. Flat No.246, 4th Floor, Rajanigundha Garden Apartment, No.21, Vittal Mallya Road, Bengaluru-560001.

Notice is hereby given that, under Rule 64 of Order XXI of the code of Civil Procedure, 1908 an order has been passed by this court for the sale of the attached property mentioned in the annexed schedule in satisfaction of the claim of the decree-holder in the suit (1) mentioned in the margin amounting with costs and interest up to date of sale to the sum of Rs. 1,76,06,578/-

The sale will be by public auction, and the property will be put up for sale in the lots specified in the Schedule. The sale will be of the property of the judgment debtors above-named as mentioned in the Schedule below, and the liabilities and claims attaching to the said property, so far as they have been ascertained, are those specified in the Schedule against each lot.

In the absence of any order of postponement, the sale will be held By Public Auction at the monthly sale commencing at **11.00 '0 Clock on 27th February 2025 (27.02.2025) at the spot and 11.00 A.M on the 1st day of March 2025 (01.03.2025)** at the court in the event however of the debt above specified and the costs of the sale being tendered or paid before the knocking down of any lot, the sale will be stopped.

At the sale the public generally are invited to bid, either personally or by duly authorised agent. No bid by, or on behalf of, the judgement-creditors above-mentioned, however, will be accepted, nor will any sale to them be valid without the express permission of the Court previously given. The following are the further.

CONDITION OF SALE

1. The particulars specified in the Schedule below have been stated to the best of the information of the Court, but the Court will not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation.
2. The amount by which the bidding's are to be increasing shall be determined by the officer conducting the sale. In the event of any dispute arising as to the amount bid, or as to the bidder, the lot shall at once put up to auction.
3. The highest bidder shall be declared to be the purchaser of any lot, provided always that he is legally qualified to bid, and provided that it shall be in the discretion of the Court or officer holding the sale to decline acceptance of the highest bid when the price offered appears so clearly inadequate as to make it advisable to do so.
4. For reasons recorded, it shall be in the discretion of the office re conducting the sale to adjourn it subject always to the provisions of Rule 69 of Order XXI.
5. In the case of movable property, the price of each lot shall be paid at the time of sale or as soon after as the officer holding the sale directs, and in default of payment the property shall forthwith be again put up the resold.
6. In the case of immovable property, the person declared to be the purchaser shall pay immediately after such declaration a deposit of 25% on the amount of his purchase money to the officer conducting the sale, and in default of such deposit the property shall forthwith be put up again and resold.
7. The full amount of the purchase money shall be paid by the purchaser before the Court closes on the fifteenth day after the sale of the property, exclusive of such day, or if the fifteenth day be a Sunday or other holiday, then on the first office day after the fifteenth day.
8. In default or payment of the balance of purchase money within the period allowed, the property shall be resold after the issue of a fresh notification of sale. The deposit, after defraying the expenses of the sale, may, if the Court thinks fit, be forfeited to Government and the defaulting purchaser shall forfeit all claim to the property or to any part of the sum for which it may be subsequently sold.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable residential apartment bearing Flat No.256, PID No. 76-22-21/106, Corporation No.21/106, on the 5th Floor of the multi storied building by name 'RAJNIGANDHA' in the apartment complex known as "GARDEN APARTMENTS" constructed in the land bearing Corporation No.21, Vittal Mallya Road (formerly known as Grant Road), Bangalore 560001 (hereinafter referred to as larger property), consisting of 2 bed rooms, hall, kitchen, 2 toilets and once store room, a balcony above porch chajja etc., and measuring a super built up area of 1350 square feet along with prorate common area and facilities constructed as per sanctioned plan bearing No. LP.No. ENE/3999/178-79 modified plan vide LP.No. 1669/1981-82 issued by the Municipal Corporation of Bangalore City with mosaic flooring and settle windows and one car parking space bearing No.156 along with 0.448% of in divided share (measuring 383 square feet) out of larger property and bounded on:
East by : Premises No.20, Vittal Mallya Road, **West by :** Premises Nos. 22/1, 22/2, 22/3, 22/4, Vittal Mallya Road, **North by :** Vittal Mallya Road, **South by :** Premises 23 and 24, Lavelle Road.

NOTE: "The value of the property is stated by the PHR is Rs. 1,84,36,593/-, and the value of the property is not stated by the JDR"

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court this 5th day of February 2025.

By order of the Court, Senior Sheristedar, Commercial Court Unit, City Civil Court, Bengaluru.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **HARISH .R.V,** S/o. Venkata Reddy, Aged about 36 years, R/at Rasahalli Village, Chilakalanerpu Hobli, Mittahalli Post, Chintamani Taluk, Chikkaballapura, Karnataka-563159, is intending to enter in to Sale Agreement with **SIR. J. VISHWANATH REDDY** S/o. Late. Jagadish Reddy, Aged about 49 years and other family members (Legal Heirs of Jagadish Reddy) all are residing at No.121/122, Srinivasa Nagar, Kithaganuru Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore-560036, intend to purchase below mentioned property, any person/s having any right interest/claim over the same, may contact the under signed Advocate with Written Objections and Valid Documents if any to substantiate the said claim within 7 days from the date of Publication of notice, failing which my client would assume that except the above said **SIR J. VISHWANATH REDDY** S/o. Late. Jagadish Reddy and other family members (Legal Heirs of Jagadish Reddy), owners of the below mentioned property and no other person/s is/are having any right, title, interest or claim over the Schedule Property and would proceed towards either to entered in to Sale Agreement or to obtain the Registered Sale Deed from them.

"SCHEDULE PROPERTY"

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing **Site No. 25,** formed Southern Portion of Converted Land in Sy. No. 151, Measuring 1 Acre 39 Guntas, Situated at Kithaganuru Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore **(Vide Conversion official Memorandum No. ALN/EBB/SR94/23-24, (No.504307), Dated 21.07.2023, issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Urban District, composite property E-Swathu No. 150200400500424126,** measuring **East to West 35 Feet 10 Inches and North to South 30 Feet, in all measuring 1053 Sq.Feet.** and bounded on the **East by:** Site No. 26, **West by:** Private Property, **North by:** Site No. 24, **South by:** 25 Feet Road.

HEMALATHA. R, ADVOCATE
Office No.34/1,Opp Aralikatte, Varanasi, K.R.Puram Post, Bengaluru-560036.

(O.5, R 20 (1-A)
(Summons through newspaper advertisement)
IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE I ADDITIONAL SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE, BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT, AT BENGALURU
OS. No.1367/2023

BETWEEN
Sri. Umesh Achari.S, Aged about 42 Years, S/o Sri.Subramani Swamy R/at Moulyashree Nilaya, 1st Main, Padmavathi Nagar, Kithaganur Main Road, Near DS Max, Bengaluru-560036 .....**Plaintiff**
AND
Sri.Ravi Kumar and Others ....**Defendants**
To,
Sri.MANIK MUKHERJEE, ...**Defendant No.3**
Aged about 67 years, S/o Sri.Haripada Mukherjee, R/at No.B-202, Kendriya Vihar, Noida, Gautam Budda Nagar, Uttar Pradesh-201301.
Also at D No.15/7, DRDO Towship, C.V.Raman Nagar, Bengaluru-560093

Whereas, the Plaintiff above named has instituted above suit against you for the relief of Declaration and Permanent Injunction in respect of the Suit Schedule Property. You are hereby summoned to appear in this Court in person, or by a pleader duly instructed, and able to answer all material questions relating to suit, or who shall be accompanied by some person able to answer all such questions, **on 12/03/2025, at 11 'O' clock** in the forenoon, to answer the claim and be prepared to produce all the documents upon which you intend rely in support of your defence.

Take notice that, in default of you appearance on the day before mentioned, the suit will be heard and determined in your absence.

SUIT SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing **Site No.13,** Khatha No.108, House List No.203, situated at **Kithiganur Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk** (earlier Bengaluru South Taluk) as per Kithaganur Village Panchayat Property No.150200400500401844, measuring East to West [38+50]/2 and North to South: 35 Feet, totally measuring **1540 Square Feet** and the property is fenced with compound and bounded:
East by : Nagappa's Property; West by : Property No.10; North by: Road; South by : Property No.14;

Given under my hand and the seal of the court, this **4th day of February, 2025.**

By the order of the court
Chief Ministerial Officer
Senior Civil Judge Court
Bangalore Rural Dist,Bangalore
Advocate for Plaintiff
SNN ASSOCIATES AND ADVOCATES,
No.248, 2nd Floor, 10th Main, 1st Block, 100 feet Road, HRBR Layout, Kalyan Nagar, Bengaluru-560043.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client **Sri Narayana. C.T** S/o late Thimmaiah, aged about 71 Years residing at Chakrabavi Village, Magadi Taluk, Madabal Hobli, Ramanagar District, who is the present owner of below mentioned property and he was having that the original sale deed dated: 02/08/1971 executed by the Government of Karnataka in respect of the land measuring 1 acre in Survey No.28 of Mallenahalli Village, Magadi Taluk, Madabal Hobli, Ramanagar District in favour of one Ramaiah S/o late Venkataiah in document No. 2050/1971-1972, Book No.1, Vol No.1588 at pages 218 to 2020 before the Sub Registrar, Magadi AND original sale deed dated: 02/08/1971 executed by the Government of Karnataka in respect of the land measuring 3 acres 33 guntas in Survey No. 28 of Mallenahalli Village, Magadi Taluk Madabal Hobli, Ramanagara District, in favour of one Sri Thimmaiah in Document No. 2051/1971-1972 of Book No.1 in Vol No. 1590 before the Sub Registrar Magadi and the aforesaid Original Document has been lost/misplaced on 18.10.2024 and he has made best efforts in tracing the same, but efforts were in vain, Further he lodged a police complaint in this regarding on 09.01.2025 with E-lost report No.1422606/2025, If anyone found the aforesaid original document, kindly contact within 7 days from the date this publication at the office address given below.

K B Chandrashekar Advocate
No 01, SUVARNA BASAVA, Srinivas Layout, Bangalore South Bangalore - 60
Mob No : 9845733735

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that Our Client **M/s.FATEH BUILDTECH PRIVATE LIMITED.,** intends to purchase property morefully described in the Schedule mentioned herein below from its owners **Mrs. MALLAMMA, SHANKARAPPA, Mr. SIDDALINGAIAH and MAMATHA.** Any person having right, title, interest, claim, objections or whatsoever in respect of the Schedule Property may file their objections with documentary proof to the undersigned within **15 days** from the date of publication of this notice. If no objections are received within the said period, our client will proceed to complete the proposed Sale transaction presuming that above mentioned person is the absolute owner of the Schedule Property and that there are no other Claimants.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of agricultural Property bearing **Sy.No.72/2, 72/3, 73/2, 73/3, 74/2, 74/3, 73/4, 75/2, 75/3, 75/4, 89/2 89/3, 92/1, 93/1, 95/2 and 95/3, totally measuring 15 Acre 26 Guntas,** situated Shetterahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk.

J.M. SHREEDHARA MURTHY, Advocate
No.97, A-02, Aishwarya Nilaya, Ground Floor, Kanakanapalya, Behind Indira Canteen Jayanagar 2nd Block, Bengaluru-560 011
Place: Bengaluru,
Date: 05.02.2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client, **Mr. Syed Tabrez,** S/o Syed Haneef, aged 39 years, residing at #70, 34th Main, 4th Cross, Dollars Scheme, BTM Layout, 1st Stage, Madivala, Bommanahalli, Bangalore – 560068, is the owner in possession of land in Krishnagiri District, Rayakottai Sub-Registrar, Shoolagiri Taluk, Ayarnapalli Village, Tamil Nadu, Survey Nos. 559, 731/1, 731/2, 731/3, 734/1A. He acquired the property through a gift deed numbered Document No. 423/2016 dated 01/03/2016. The original mother deeds pertaining to the aforementioned property, bearing the following document numbers, Document No. 412/1966, Document No. 630/1976, and Document No. 47/1980, were lost/misplaced while traveling on a bus at Sheshadri Puram, Bangalore. A police complaint (Ref: NCR No. 032/2025) was lodged in this regard on 05/02/2025.

If anyone has found the aforementioned original documents, kindly contact the office address and phone number given below within 15 days from the date of this publication.

Deepak Poovaiah A K Advocate
No. 7/2, 1st Floor, Annayappa Block, Kamara Park West, Sheshadri Puram, Bangalore – 20
Phone: 7760166899

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform General Public that my client **Mr. ZOHEBAHMED MULLA,** S/o Nazirahmed, Residing at No. 84, 3rd Main Road, Vidhya Nagar, Siddeshwar Park, Hubli, Dharwad, Karnataka-580 031, (the Purchaser) and has entered into Agreement of Sale with **Mr. AZEEM ULLA KHAN,** S/o Ismail Khan, Residing at No. 12, Ismail Residency, 1st Main Road, Shabari Nagar, R K Hegde Nagar, Bangalore-560 077 (the owner) in respect of the Schedule Property mentioned below.

Any person/s, firm, trust, company or anybody having any form of right, title or interest over the Schedule Property may lodge their Objections with valid proof/ documents ***within 15 days*** from the date of this Notice to the undersigned. Any Objections received after 15 days will not be entertained and my Client will proceed to complete the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing **Site No. 331,** Property bearing BBMP No. 92/3/331, formed in residentially converted Sy No. 92/3, vide Conversion Order No. B.DIS.ALN. SR(SA) 137/2001-02, dated 03-09-2001, of Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru District, (Old House List Khatha No. 246, New Khatha No. 3982/331), situated at **Thanisandra Village, Krishnarajapuram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk,** now this property comes within the limits BBMP, Corporation Ward No. 6, BBMP Sl No. 5212, Property No. 92/3/331, New No. 5212/92/3/331, New EPID No. 7962849692, Thanisandra, Bangalore, measuring **East to West 40 ft** [Forty feet], **North to South 30 ft** [Thirty feet], in total measuring **1200 sq. ft.** [One thousand two hundred square feet], and bounded on:
East by: Site. No. 332; **West by:** Road;
North by: Site No. 330; **South by:** Road.

Sd/-
Venkatesha. M.T, Advocate
No. 636, 1st Main, Patel Munivenkatappa Layout, Near De Grand Hotel, Nagawara, Arabic College Post, Bangalore-560 045.
Ph. No. 9986044393 / 7022075279
E-Mail: venkateshamt05@gmail.com
Place: Bangalore Date: 06.02.2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform General public that, my client **Shri. Shridhara B.S** is intending to purchase property which is morefully described in the Schedule hereunder, from its owner **Shri. Babu Bhaskar V R.**

If anybody having any claim, objection, interest, dispute for the above intended sale transaction, he/she/they may contact the undersigned with documentary proof substantiating their respective claims/ objection within 15 days from the date of this publication, failing which my client shall proceed to purchase the Schedule property from aforesaid owner.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of SITE BEARING Khata NO.120/981/14/1, [Old Khata No.104/981/14/1] PID No.1630849004, Vivek Marvel Apartment Road, measuring 36X30 Feet total area of 1080 Sq.feet., situated at Kempegowda Ward [Ward No.1] BBMP, Bengaluru, bounded on:
East By: Property sold by A.Munirathna, West By: Property Belonging to Mamatha B, North By: Road, South By: Property in khata No.981/14/1 belonging to Varsha V.

JISHNU J. NARAYAN, Advocate
#324/62, Sarvasheela Complex, Bellary Main Road, Ganganagar, Bengaluru-560032. Ph. 9880800171

BEFORE THE BANGALORE URBAN 1st ADDL DISTRICT CONSUMER DISPUTES REDRESSAL COMMISSION AT BANGALORE
COMPLAINT No:254/2023

BETWEEN: Mr.Gandla Venkateswara Rao Son of Gandla Bhaskara Rao, Aged about 48 years, Residing at No.4, 2nd Floor, 2nd Cross, Raja Reddy Layout, M.S.Ramaiah Enclave Road, Bangalore-560073 ... **COMPLAINANT**
AND: M/s.SMART VALUE HOMES (PEENYA PROJECT) PVT.LTD AND OTHERS ... **OPPOSITE PARTIES**

NOTICE TO OPPOSITE PARTY No.1 AND 2 UNDER ORDER 5 RULE 20 OF THE CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE READ WITH SECTION 38 OF CP ACT 2019

1) M/s. SMART VALUE HOMES (PEENYA PROJECT) PVT.LTD (A Subsidiary of TATA Value Homes Limited) Represented by its Authorised Signatory New Haven Peenya, Dasanapura Hobli, Near Golden Palms Hotel and Spa, Huskur Road, Off Tumkur Main Road, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore-562123 Also office at
2) M/s.SMART VALUE HOMES (PEENYA PROJECT) PVT.LTD (A Subsidiary of TATA Value Homes Limited) Represented by its Authorised Signatory "A" Wing, Corniche Al-Latheef, No.25, Cunningham Road, Bangalore-560 052.

Whereas the above said Petition was filed against you all and others for relief to directing the opposite parties Refund the entire amount paid by me under vide Allotment Letter and Advance Receipt No. 1400001533, Rs.50,000/- (Rupees.Fifty Thousand only), and another vide Allotment Letter and Advance Receipt No. 1400001626, Rs. 1,57,253/- (Rupees.One Lakh Fifty Seven Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Three only) in total amount of Rs.2,07,253/- (Rupees. Two Lakhs Seven Thousand Two Fifty Three only Hundred Fifty Three only) with an interest at the rate of 12% P.A and Directing the opposite parties to pay a sum of Rs.25,000/- towards mental agony to the complainant, Directing the opposite parties to pay Rs. 10,000/- towards the costs of the proceedings, and such other order/orders, relief/s. You are all hereby directed to appear either personally or through an Advocate on **10-03-2025** at 10:30 AM, before this Court, failing which the above said case/matter will be heard and determined ex-parte.

Given under my hand and the seal of the court on 30-01-2025.

By order of the court, Asst Registrar-cum-, Assistant Administrative Officer, Bengaluru Rural & Bengaluru Urban District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission 1st Floor, BMTC 2nd Block, K.H. Road, Shanthinagar, Bangalore.

Sri T.N. GOPALA GOWDA, Advocate
No.37, 1st Cross, 1st main, Behind Patidar Samaj, Rajareddy layout, Nagasandra Post, Bangalore-560073.

BEFORE THE HON'BLE DISTRICT CONSUMER COMMISSION AT KOLAR
Consumer Complaint No. 84/2024

Sri. Somashekar. M, S/o. Late Muniyappa, Aged about 47 years, Resident of Harohalli Village, Magondi Post, Bangarpet Taluk, Kolar District and others., ...**COMPLAINANT**
AND: P.S.N Automative Marketing Pvt., Ltd., ...OPPOSITE PARTY.

NOTICE TO THE OPPONENT NO.1 and 2 UNDER ORDER 5 RULE 20 (1- A) OF C.P.C

To, OPPOSITE PARTIES: 1. P.S.N Automative Marketing Pvt. Ltd., Authorised Dealers for Eicher Vehicles and Manager, No. 263/15, "Emminence", 11th Cross, Wilson Garden, Bangalore-560027. **2. P.S.N Automative Pvt., Ltd.,** Represented by it's Service Manager, Sri. Ajay Kumar, Avalahalli, Bangalore-560064. Mobile: 9606637404.

Whereas, the complainant filed a complaint under section 35 of the Consumer Protection Act, against the opposite party to pay the award towards the compensation. This Hon'ble Commission issued notice to the opposite party, the notice issued from this Hon'ble Commission, but the opposite party has refused to receive the notice issued from this Hon'ble Commission by RPAD.

Wherefore, you are hereby summoned to appear before this Hon'ble Commission on **21-03-2025** at 11:00 A.M, to answer the same failing which the complaint will be disposed of Exparte.

Given under my seal and signature on 04-02-2025.

By order of the Commission, District Consumer Commission, At Kolar

T.G. BYRE GOWDA, Advocate
T.G.B. Complex, Bangarpet Circle, Kolar City, Kolar.

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY APPELLATE TRIBUNAL AT CHENNAI
IA 718/2024 (Delay) in A.IR: 1561/2024

Mr. Varun Rao B. & Another ...APPLICANTS/APPELLANT(S)
Vs.
M/s. ICICI Bank Limited & Ms. Venkateshwara Infra Projects ...RESPONDENT(S)

To,
Ms. Venkateshwara Infra Projects,
Represented by its Authorized Signatory Mr. G.P Ganesh, No. 888, 64th Cross, 18th Main, 5th Block, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru - 560 010

NOTICE OF INTIMATION OF HEARING THROUGH SUBSTITUTED SERVICE

Notice for the appearance of the Defendant No. 2 in IA 718/2024 in A.IR:1561/2024 - in VARUN RAO B & ANR V/S M/s. ICICI BANK LIMITED & ANR - Before Hon'ble Registrar DRAT at Chennai.

Whereas the above named Appellant had filed the above IA 718/2024 (Delay) in A.IR:1561/2024 before the Hon'ble Debts Recovery Appellate Tribunal, Chennai against the Respondents.

Whereas the service of notice could not be effected in the ordinary manner and whereas substituted service has been ordered by the Hon'ble Debts Recovery Appellate Tribunal, Chennai on 04.02.2025, and hence this notice through paper publication

You are therefore directed to appear before the Hon'ble Appellate Tribunal in person or through a duly instructed Advocate **on 25.02.2025 at 11.00 am.** Take notice that in case of default, the IA shall be heard and decided in your absence in accordance with law.

Kindly make your presence before the Debt Recovery Appellate Tribunal at Chennai **at 11.00 am on 25.02.2025,** failing which the above-mentioned matter will be heard and decided in your absence.

MD RAJKUMAR
Address: MDR Chambers, No. 36/192 Reliance Park, S3, 2nd Floor, 6th Cross, 1st Stage, Basaveshwaranagar Bengaluru 560 096. Tel:+91 96202 12325
Advocates for Appellant
Varun Rao and Sahana V

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring the notice of the General Public that Originally Late **Mr. Abdullah Haroon Merchant,** S/o Late Mr. Haroon Merchant & Late Mrs. Zubeda Abdullah Merchant W/o Late Abdullah Haroon Merchant was the absolute owners of the Immovable Residential Property bearing Municipal Corporation No.11/1, Old No. 11, Situated at 4th Cross, Hutchins Road, St. Thomas Town, Civil Station, Bangalore-5600 84, in B.B.M.P. Ward No. 59 (86) PID. No.86-7-11/1, E- Khata Sl. No. 1683322. who died intestate on 20.11.2023 & 12.03.2024, at Bangalore, leaving behind their legal heirs to succeed their estate, now my clients 1) Mr. Mohammed Junaid R. 2) Mrs. Rafiya Sultana 3) Mr. Mohammed Jawad & 4) Mrs. Sumaya Sultana (M) 9886302923, 9986881992, are intents to purchase the schedule property from its successors Namely 1) Mr. Mohammed Yakub Abdullah Merchant 2) Rehmat Abdullah Merchant 3) Mr. Mohammed Usman Abdullah Merchant. If any one asserting any rights or claims from the erstwhile vendors or any person/s having any right, title, interest, or claims, intending to oppose the purchase in any manner whatsoever may file their objections with documentary proof **within 7 days** hereof, where after, no such claims or objections will be entertained, and my clients shall proceed to purchase the schedule property as bonafide purchaser/s.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Residential Property Land and Building Consisting of Ground and First Floor bearing Municipal Corporation No.11/1, Old No. 11, Situated at 4th Cross, Hutchins Road, St. Thomas Town, Civil Station, Bangalore-5600 84, in B.B.M.P. Ward No.59 (86) PID.No.86-7-11/1, E-Khata Sl. No. 1683322. Measuring East by: 45 Feet West by: 45 Feet, North by: 35 Feet, and South by: 35 Feet, Totally Measuring 1575 Sq. Ft, and Bounded on the: **East by:** Property belonging to Mr. Chico, **West by:** Premises No.11, 4th Cross, **North by:** 4th Cross Road, **South by:** Premises No.11, 4th Cross

HAFEEZULLA KHAN .M, ARIFULLA KHAN
Advocate
#11/9, Bowring Hospital Road, Shivajinagar, Bangalore - 560 001.
Mob: 9448071528/9449108941

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client, **Ms. Steena Chandy,** daughter of Late **Lt. Col. Matthew Chandy,** residing at : **Flat B - 706, Sena Vihar, Kammanahalli Main Road, HRBR layout, Bangalore – 560043,** has lost the **original title deeds** of her property, as detailed in the schedule below. The said document was lost in transit during January 2025.

The following title deeds are missing:

1. **Sale Deed** dated 22.03.2013, registered as Document No. VRT-1-06658-2012-2013, CD No. VRTD183.
2. **FORM-B Declaration** dated 22.03.2013, bearing Document No. 6660/2012-13, registered at the office of the Senior Sub-Registrar, Varthur, Bengaluru.
3. **Agreement for Construction** dated 18.07.2011.
4. **Agreement for Sale** dated 18.07.2011.

A report regarding the loss has been duly lodged on the official Karnataka State Police website.

Any individual who finds the aforementioned documents is kindly requested to return it to the undersigned at the address mentioned below.

Furthermore, any person claiming any **right, title, or interest** in the said property-whether by inheritance or otherwise-must submit their claim in writing to the undersigned, along with **supporting documentary evidence,** within **30 days** from the date of publication of this notice. Failing this, it shall be presumed that no such claims exist, and all objections, if any, shall be deemed waived

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Flat bearing No.409, on the third floor of Phase-I of the Building known as ASHISH JK APARTMENTS, A Block, developed on Sy.No.44/3B, Municipal No.709 situated at Thubarahalli to Whitefield Main Road, Thubarahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru – 560066, having a super built up area of 1155 Sq.feet and an UDS of 500 Sq.feet in the larger land and the boundaries for the larger land are as follows: East by: Sy.No.49, West by: Road, North by: Sy.No.44/2, South by: Sy.No.44/3A

ANIRUDH K H, Advocate and Consultant,
Chambers at: 162, Ground Floor, 1st Main, 1st Cross, Arekere Mico layout, Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru – 560076
Mobile: +91 9019489922

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby notified that, my client, SMT. BHAGYASHREE POLICE PATIL, Aged about 36 years, W/o Amresh S Margol Residing at, N Girijashankar Colony Sriwar, Manvi, Raichur-584129. Aadhar No 6134 1072 5182. Present address No. 1187, 10th Main Road, Hampinagar, RPC Layout, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru-560104., had intend to purchase the below mentioned Schedule property from its lawful owner:- **SRI. GOPALAKRISHNA M N,** aged about 50 years S/o, Late. Nanjappa Residing at: #50, Muthugadahalli Village, Shivakote, Hesaraghatta Hobli, Bengaluru 560089. Aadhar No. **4848 6208 0677.**

Any person or persons, Bank, financial institutions etc, having any valid right, title interest or any claim over the Schedule Property or any portions of it in any manner may with documentary evidence lodge their objections / claim within 10 days from the date of this notice with the undersigned, if no valid objections are received within the stipulated date, our client shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regard to the Schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTIES

ITEM NO.1: All that piece and parcel of the Schedule Property bearing Residential Vacant Site No.122, in the layout formed in the lands bearing Sy No. 85/5, The site is carved out of land bearing Situated at: MYLAPPANAHALLI Village, Hesaraghatta-2 Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore Urban District. measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 40 feet total 1200 sqft And bounded as follows: EAST BY :: Site No.123, WEST BY :: Site No.121, NORTH BY :: Site No.104, SOUTH BY :: Road

ITEM NO.2: All that piece and parcel of the Schedule Property bearing Residential Vacant Site No.123, in the layout formed in the lands bearing Sy No. 85/5, The site is carved out of land bearing Situated at: MYLAPPANAHALLI Village, Hesaraghatta-2 Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore Urban District. measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 40 feet total 1200 sqft And bounded as follows: EAST BY :: Site No.124, WEST BY :: Site No.122, NORTH BY :: Site No.103, SOUTH BY :: Road

SHYAMA SUNDAR, Advocate
S.S. ASSOCIATES
ADVOCATES & SOLICITORS
No.001, A2G Enclave HAL, Bengaluru 560017.
9945215327, 6302549400
Bangalore Dated: 5.2.2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **SMT.LAKSHMITULASI BHAT** W/o Late.K.MuraliDhar Bhat, aged about 44 years, R/at Shri Thimmarayaswamy Nilaya, Kempapura Village, Yemaluru Post, Behind Government Primary School, Bengaluru-560037 has lost my client "Late husband" Original **Registered Sale Deed dt:10.12.2001, registered as document No: BNG(U)BLS(S) 9369/2001-02, Book-1,** stored in CD No:65/2001-02 registered on 24.12.2001, at the office of the Sub Registrar, Bengaluru South, Bengaluru related to the **Residential Site bearing No:09, Katha No: 6/3, measuring East to West 30 Feet and North to South 40 Feet, totally measuring 1200 square feet,** formed out of Sy.No.6/3 of Doddanagamangala Village, comes under CMC, Konappana Agrahara Panchayath, Begur Hobli, Bengaluru,situated at Doddanagamangala Village, Electronic City Post, Begur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District, Bengaluru.

I hereby given to the all the General Public that whoever found the above mentioned original Sale Deed dt:10.12.2001 is hereby requested to deliver the under singed with in **7 days** of publication of this notice. After the said period my client will treat the above said original document has lost permanently and will take further steps in accordance with law as she deems fit for her further transaction.

This publication is made based on the Complaint/ **Lost Report No:1396930/2024, dt:23.12.2024** filed before **Karnataka Police, Bengaluru City, Bengaluru.**

MUNIYAPPA S, ADVOCATE.
No: 854, 2nd Cross, Channakeshava Nagar, Electronic City Post, Bengaluru-560100.
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Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
213.12 ▼	Sensex	78,058.16	₹270 ▲	24 carat (10 gm)	₹86,660	1 kg	₹99,500	Dollar	87.56
92.95 ▼	Nifty	23,603.35	₹250 ▲	22 carat (10 gm)	₹79,450	10 gm	₹995	Euro	90.98

SBI profit up 84% at ₹16,891 cr on low-base

NII rises 4.09% to ₹41,446 cr; loan loss provisions come down by 31.2% to ₹2,305 crore YoY and 36.52% sequentially

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

EARNINGS CALL

	Q3FY25	CHANGE(YOY)
Net interest income	₹41,446 cr	4.09%
Net internet margin	3.15%	▼ 19 bps
Loans	₹40.67 L cr	13.5%
Deposits	₹52.3 L cr	14.9%
Loan loss provisions	₹2,305 cr	▼ 31.2%
Gross NPAs	2.07%	▼ 35 bps
Net NPAs	0.53%	11 bps

THE State Bank of India on Thursday reported an 84.3% increase in net income to ₹16,891 crore for the December quarter, aided mostly by the low-base in the year-ago period when the country's largest lender had taken a one-time hit of ₹7,100 crore towards pension liabilities following the wage revision and better asset quality coupled with higher advances.

Net interest income (NII) rises 4.09% to ₹41,446 crore while interest income rose 10.2% to ₹1,17,427 crore as it sold more loans during the quarter, which overall rose 13.49% to ₹40,67,752 crore, of which corporate book grew 13.49% to ₹11,76,303 crore and retail personal loans clipped at 14.86% to ₹14,47,337 crore. Of this, as much as ₹7,92,827 crore are home loans alone, which grew 14.26% and the chairman said this is the single largest portfolio of the bank. Deposits grew past the ₹52 lakh crore mark at ₹52,29,384 crore, up 9.81% YoY.

As the asset quality continued to improve, the bank saw its loan loss provisions coming down by 31.2% to ₹2,305 crore YoY and a higher 36.52% sequentially from ₹3,631 crore. Gross NPAs too declined to 2.07%, down 35 bps and so did the net NPAs, which fell by 11 bps to 0.53% or in absolute terms these numbers declined to ₹84,360 crore, down 2.75% YoY and ₹21,378 crore, down 4.6%, respectively. But on a sequential basis, net NPA ratio remained unchanged at 0.53%.

However, despite reporting a street–beating set of numbers, the bank's stock on Thursday fell nearly 2% as the investors feared the margin, which has declined by 19 bps to 3.15% in the reporting quarter, will get hit further if the RBI announces an easy-money policy on Friday, which the market has already priced in.

Most brokerages were expecting the bank to report a 64% YoY rise in net profit at ₹15,075 crore and a 6% rise in NIIs at ₹42,050 crore. The lender had booked net profit of ₹9,164 crore in the year-ago period and on the sequential basis, the bottom line declined 7.9% from ₹18,331 crore.

However, the management led by chairman CS Setty exuded confidence, going forwards, penciling in 14-16% advances growth and 10% more deposit collection and maintaining the margins, the net interest margin, which is the money a lender makes in profit from lending after paying depositors, at 3% if the RBI begins a rate cut season and if no rate cut then at 3.10-3.20% for the fiscal.

Airtel net profit up 505% to ₹14,781 cr; ARPU rises to ₹245

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

BHARTI AIRTEL, country's second-largest telecom service provider, reported a 505% surge in net profit, reaching ₹14,781 crore for the quarter ending December 31, 2024.

The telco's net profit was ₹2,442 crore in the same period last fiscal. The company recorded a one-time gain of ₹7,546 crore during the reporting quarter, primarily due to the consolidation of a majority stake in Indus Towers. The company's consolidated revenues for Q3FY25 stood at ₹45,129 crore, marking a 19.1% year-on-year (YoY) growth and an 8.8% quarter-on-quarter (QoQ) rise.

India revenues for the quarter totalled ₹34,654 crore, reflecting a 24.6% YoY rise and a 9.8% QoQ growth. The company's EBITDA for the quarter was ₹19,850 crore, a 32.3% YoY rise, with an EBITDA margin of 57.3%.

"We delivered another consistent quarter with consolidated revenue of 45,129 crore. Indus Towers consolidation is effective this quarter. India revenue (excluding Indus) grew by 4.8% sequentially. Africa maintained strong constant currency sequential growth trajectory of 5.6%," said Gopal Vittal, Vice-chairman and MD of Bharti Airtel.

The company improved its average revenue per user (ARPU) to the highest level among its competitors at ₹245 in Q3, up from ₹208 in Q3FY24. The telco added 0.6 million postpaid users in Q3FY25, thereby increasing its customer base to 25.3 million. Its market share in the smartphone segment saw improvement, with an addition of 25.2 million users, a 10.3% YoY rise. Overall, it added 4947000 customers in the quarter.

The telco rolled out nearly 5,200 towers and about 16,300 mobile broadband stations in Q3. It also stated that its anti-SPAM tool has brought significant relief, notifying close to 252 million unique customers and effectively combating the SPAM menace. Powered by Airtel's AI-driven network, it identifies over 1 million unique spammers, making more than 130 million calls daily.

Smartphone segment market share improves

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EPFO settles 5 cr claims worth over ₹2L cr in FY25

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

THE Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) has processed over 5.08 claims, for the first time, amounting to ₹2,05,932.49 crore in FY25. Labour Minister Mansukh Mandaviya on Thursday said auto claim settlements doubled to 1.87 crore claims in the current financial year, compared to 89.52 lakh auto claims processed during the entire FY24.

The minister highlighted the milestone and said this has been made possible due to a series of transformative reforms initiated by the employees' retirement fund to enhance claim settlement processes.

In FY24, the retirement fund body processed 4.45 crore claims worth ₹1,82,838.28 crore. A statement from the labour ministry said that reforms in the PF transfer claim submission process have streamlined the workflow significantly.

Since the launch of a simplified transfer claim application, only 8% of transfer claims now require member and employer attestation. About 48% of claims are submitted directly by members without employer intervention, while 44% of transfer requests are generated automatically, it added. The minister said, "Since the introduction of simplified procedure, about 97.18% of member profile corrections have been self-approved by members, with 1% requiring employer approval, and office intervention has been reduced to just 0.4%.

The rejection cases have dropped to 1.11% by the employer and 0.21% by the regional office, reflecting effectiveness of streamlined processes and reduced procedural bottlenecks in claim settlements." He said the EPFO will continue to leverage tech and process simplification to ensure a seamless and efficient service experience.

Akasa Air secures fresh funding from Azim Premji and Ranjan Pai

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

AKASA AIR on Thursday said that it has signed agreements with marquee investors to infuse fresh capital into the airline. A consortium of investors, including Premji Invest, the global investment arm of IT Czar Azim Premji, Claypond Capital – the investment office of Ranjan Pai and funds managed by 360 ONE Asset, a leading asset management firm – has signed investment agreements with Akasa Air.

Independently, the family of late ace investor Rakesh Jhunjhunwala, a key stakeholder in the airline, has committed to an additional capital infusion. All these agreements are subject to regulatory approval.

While Akasa didn't disclose the financial details of the investments, reports suggest that the airline has raised capital to the tune of $ 130-140 million. Akasa said the fund will be utilised in its ambitious path of becoming one of the top 30 airlines in the world by the end of this decade.

As per Akasa, the fresh investment will be utilised to power its ambitious growth plans and enhance customer experience. The funds will also be used to drive international expansion. "These are not just financial transactions, they are an investment in our vision and commitment to building an airline for generations," said Vinay Dube, Founder and CEO of Akasa Air.

Akasa, launched in August 2022, currently connects with 22 domestic and five international cities. The airline has a fleet of 27 aircraft and 226 more aircraft on order with Boeing. Akasa closed the calendar year 2024 with a market share of 4.6%, making it India's third-largest airline in India. The two big players IndiGo and Air India group control nearly 90% of India's domestic aviation market.

As per the available data, the Jhunjhunwala family held a 45.97% stake in the airline while Vinay Dube has 16.13%. Vinay's brothers Sanjay and Niraj have 7.59% shares each.

Jhunjhunwala family commits additional investment

Independently, the family of late ace investor Rakesh Jhunjhunwala, a significant stakeholder in the Akasa airline, has also committed to an undisclosed additional capital infusion. All these agreements are subject to the regulatory approval of authorities concerned.

Fortis deal: IHH seeks ₹10,930 cr from Daiichi

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

MALAYSIA'S IHH Healthcare is seeking up to ₹10,930 crore ($1.25 billion) in damages from Japan's Daiichi Sankyo for its involvement in Fortis Healthcare deal, the company said on Thursday. Northern TK Venture (NTK), a subsidiary of IHH Healthcare, in October 2023 had filed a claim against Daiichi saying it caused losses to the company by preventing it from proceeding with open offers to buy a stake in Fortis Healthcare in 2018.

"The Board of Directors of IHH wishes to announce that NTK has submitted an additional brief on Feb 6, 2025, to the court. NTK has submitted the Feb 6, 2025, brief with an expert report by NTK's appointed expert, Osborne Partners ("OP"), which includes an analysis and quantification of the damages suffered by NTK based on three counterfactual scenarios had the open offers proceeded," said IHH Healthcare in a filing on Malaysian exchange.

It added, "Based on OP Report, the amount of compensation being sought by NTK against Daiichi Sankyo ranges from ₹4.24 billion (about RM 0.2 bn and JPY 7.8 bn at its lowest) to ₹109.3 billion (RM 5.7 bn and JPY 199.8 billion at its highest), depending on what relevant parameters are applied."

The upper bound of the damages of Rs 10,930 crore is an increase from the initial figure of JPY 20 billion ($131.46 million) set out in the 14 November 2023 Announcement. In the 6 February 2025 Brief, NTK reserves its rights to amend its claim for damages, including to add other heads of loss and/or to claim the costs of the legal fees it is seeking from Daiichi Sankyo, said IHH. IHH Healthcare, Asia's largest healthcare group, had bought a 31% stake in Fortis through NTK but halted its open offer to buy an additional 26% stake after Japanese pharmaceutical giant Daiichi filed a contempt plea against Fortis' founders - Shivinder Singh and Malvinder Singh.

Telcos raised tariff due to investment made for 5G service rollout: Scindia

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

COMMUNICATION minister Jyotiraditya Scindia on Thursday said a 10% increase in mobile phone tariff by telecom service providers (TSPs) was because of the investment made in the rollout of 5G in the country.

The minister, speaking in Parliament, also mentioned that telecom service providers have covered 98% of districts and 82% of the population with the 5G networks within 22 months of 5G launch in the country. "Nearly ₹4.5 lakh crore has been invested in rolling out the 5G network. There should be a return on investment," said the minister.

The minister highlighted that India has the cheapest voice and data tariff across the world. All three private telcos such as Reliance Jio, Bharti Airtel and Vodafone Idea Limited, have raised their tariff by up to 25% in July 2024. The minister said that the mobile phone tariff has come down by 94% since 2014. "Today there are 116 crore mobile phone subscribers. If we talk about internet penetration, there were 25 crore subscribers in 2014, and today the number is 97.44 crore," the minister said.

The minister also said that when the number of consumers increases, it is necessary to monitor tariffs. He mentioned that a one-minute call used to cost 50 paise in 2014, and at present, it costs three paise, which reflects a 94% dip in the cost structure. He further informed the House that the cost of one GB broadband was Rs 270 per GB in 2014, which has come down to Rs 9.70 per GB, reflecting a 93% drop in tariff.

The minister said that India is the most economical country in the world based on internet data costs.

EARNINGS

Cognizant Q4 net profit declines 2% to $546 million

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

COGNIZANT on Thursday reported a 2.1% year-on-year decline in its net profit for quarter ended December 2024 to $546 million compared to $558 million in the year-ago period. The company follows a January-December calendar year.

Its revenue in the December quarter jumped 6.8% to $5,082 million as against $4,758 million in the same quarter last year. The company's 2024 revenue stood at $19.7 billion and full-year operating margin was at 14.7%, an increase of 80 basis points YoY. In Q1 (Jan-March 2025), the company expects its revenue to be $5.0 - $5.1 billion, growth of 5.6-7.1%, or 6.5-8.0% in constant currency. Its employee count fell by 10,700 YoY to 3,36,800 in December 2024.

"We exited the year with momentum, closing a record 29 large deals during the year, highlighting the effectiveness of our strategy. In 2024, we accelerated investments in our AI-led platforms and added new capabilities with the acquisitions of Thirdera and Belcan, further strengthening and diversifying our portfolio," said CEO Ravi Kumar S. "Our focus on client centricity, agility and innovation is helping clients unlock next wave of hyper productivity and enterprise-grade generative AI adoption," he added. Its voluntary attrition - tech services on a trailing-twelve months basis was 15.9% as against 13.8% for the period ended December 31, 2023. "We ended the year strong, delivering an adjusted operating margin of 15.7% in Q4 and 20 basis points expansion for the full year, above our guidance."

Zomato changes name to Eternal after board's nod

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

FOOD tech company Zomato has officially rebranded as Eternal, following approval from its board. The name change is subject to nod from shareholders, corporate affairs ministry and other relevant regulatory authorities.

The company said while Zomato app will retain its name, the stock ticker will be updated from Zomato to Eternal. Eternal will encompass four key businesses: Zomato, Blinkit, District, and Hyperpure. "We would like to inform that the board of directors of the Company vide resolution dated Feb 6, 2025, have approved the change in the name of the Company from 'Zomato Limited' to 'Eternal Limited' and the consequential amendment in the Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association to give effect to the same," said Zomato in a filing to the exchanges.

EXPRESS READ

ITC Q3 profit down 7.27 % to ₹5,013.16 cr

NEW DELHI: ITC Ltd on Thursday reported a fall of 7.27% in net profit to ₹5,013.16 crore for Q3FY25. It had posted a consolidated net profit of ₹5,406.52 crore in Q3FY24. Revenue from operations was up 9.05% to ₹20,349.96 crore in Q3 from ₹18,660.37 crore in the previous financial year. *ENS*

Hero MotoCorp PAT rises 2% to ₹1,108 cr

NEW DELHI: Hero MotoCorp on Thursday said its consolidated profit after tax increased 2 per cent to Rs 1,108 crore in the December quarter, aided by higher sales. The two-wheeler major reported a profit after tax (PAT) of Rs 1,091 crore in the October-December quarter of last fiscal. *ENS*

Govt banks see ₹1.29L cr profit in April-December

NEW DELHI: Public sector banks have posted highest-ever net profit of ₹1.29 lakh crore in April-December of FY25, marking an annual rise of 31.3%. The 12 state-owned banks recorded net profit growth of 31.3% (year-on-year) to achieve highest-ever aggregate net profit of ₹1,29,426 crore. *ENS*

India, South Asia to receive 2,835 planes in 20 years: Boeing

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

INDIAN and South Asian airlines are expected to add 2,835 new commercial aircraft to their fleets over the next 20 years to meet the rising demand for air travel, US aircraft manufacturer Boeing said on Thursday. The company stated that it will maintain a delivery rate of about two aircraft a month through 2024 and 2025.

Boeing's statement on anticipated growth and dispatches comes at a time when its India clients, mainly Tata Group's Air India and Akasa Air, are facing a delay in plane delivery. As per reports, Boeing's deliveries fell to the lowest in 2024 since COVID-19 pandemic due to a strike in its US unit. It had said last month that it was making progress on increasing aircraft production.

In its latest Commercial Market Outlook (CMO), Boeing said continued growth will be fuelled by greater demand and a rise in region's air traffic, which will grow over 7% annually through 2043. The CMO predicts domestic air traffic is likely to remain largest and fastest-growing segment in India.

"The India and South Asia region continues to be the world's fastest-growing commercial aviation market due to strong economic and trade growth, rising household incomes and investments in infrastructure and development," said Ashwin Naidu, Boeing managing director of Commercial Marketing for India and South Asia. Boeing also highlighted some of the key headwinds India's aviation sector has to navigate through. These headwinds are jet fuel volatility, currency pressures, and lower fare levels in comparison to global averages.

Admission to MBA Courses in Kerala (KMAT-2025) First Session - Computer Based Entrance Examination - Applications Invited

Applications are invited for the Computer Based Entrance Examination for admission to MBA Courses in Kerala (KMAT-2025 - First Session). Eligible candidates can submit online applications through the website **www.cee.kerala.gov.in** up to **10.02.2025, 4.00 PM**. See the Information Bulletin and Notifications available on the website for more details.

Sd/-,
Commissioner for Entrance Examinations

D3/137/2025

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Bank of Baroda

Zonal Office, Bengaluru: 2nd Floor, 41/2, M G Road, Trinity Circle, Bengaluru – 560001

Tender for furnishing works at Gandhi Bazar branch, Bengaluru South Region

Bank of Baroda invites Tender for furnishing works at Gandhi Bazar branch, Bengaluru South Region. The intending offerer shall submit their offers in two separate sealed covers superscribed as "Technical bid" and "Financial bid" to the following address: The Deputy General Manager, Bank of Baroda, Zonal Office, Vijaya Towers, Trinity Circle, MG Road, Bengaluru-560001 on or before **28.02.2025 by 15.00 hrs.** For details, please login on Tender section of our website **(http://www.bankofbaroda.com)**.
Any corrigendum to this tender will be issued in bank's website only and no paper notification will be issued separately.

Date: 07.02.2025
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Zonal Manager,
Bank of Baroda, Bangalore Zonal Office

SOUTHERN POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY OF TELANGANA LTD.

e-Procurement Tender Notice (Paper Notification)

TGSPDCL intends to float tender for procurement of (a) 33 KV, 3x 400 Sq.mm Heat Shrinkable Straight through Jointing Kits (b) 220V DC Non Directional Numerical 3 O/C +1 E/F Relays (c) 11KV Lightning Arrestors (Station Type) (d) 33KV 10KA Lightning Arrestors station type(e) 33 KV 10KA Lightning Arrestors line type (f) 12V 42 AH SMF VRLA Batteries (Flat Pasted) on e-procurement platform.

For further details of each item above, please visit www.tgsouthernpower.org www.tender.telangana.gov.in. Phone: 040-23431360, 1033, 1035, 1026

R.O. No. : 984-PP/CL-AGENCY/ADVT/1/2024-25 **Sd/- CHIEF ENGINEER (P&MM)**

The Brihanmumbai Electric Supply & Transport Undertaking

(OF THE BRIHANMUMBAI MAHANAGARPALIKA)

TENDER NOTICE

E-tenders are invited for the supply of following items.

(1) 25MVA, ONAN, 33 KV/6.6KV Power Transformers with Nitrogen Injection Fire Protection System along-with their Accessories and Spares,

Re – invited e-tenders

(2) 79643.

Note: For more details, log on to website **https://mahatenders.gov.in**

PRO/AAM(M)/113/2025 **GENERAL MANAGER**

सेन्ट बैंक होम फायनेन्स लिमिटेड
Cent Bank Home Finance Limited

सेन्ट्रल बैंक ऑफ इण्डिया की अनुषंगी Subsidiary of Central Bank of India

APPENDIX IV [Rule 8(1)]
(POSSESSION NOTICE)
For immovable property

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **CENT BANK HOME FINANCE LTD, Bangalore Branch** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the security interest (Enforcement) Rules 3, 2002 issued Demand Notice Upon the Borrower/s guarantors mentioned below to repay the amount to **CENT BANK HOME FINANCE LTD, Bangalore Branch** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on me under section 13(4) of the said Act read with rules 8 of the said rules on the date mentioned against account. The borrowers/ guarantors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with the property will be subject to the charge of the **CENT BANK HOME FINANCE LTD, Bangalore** for the amount and interest thereon.

Name of the Borrower & Guarantor & LAN No.	Description of the Property	Date of NPA / 13(2) Notice / Possession	Amount in Demand Notice (₹)
Mrs. Varija Shetty W/o Mr. Umesh Shetty LAN : 00903010000263	All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site No.19/A, Old No.157/22, New No. 22, Present comes under BBMP, Ward No. 130, Situated at Ngadevanhalli Village, Kengri Hobli, Bangalore South taluk and measuring East to West 40 Feet and North to South 30 feet., Total Area 1200 sq. ft. Boundaries East- Road, West- Site No.15, North- Site No.20, South- Road	08.06.2024 / 24.06.2024 / 03.02.2025 (Physical)	36,95,659.95 + Interest & all other charges
Mr. Rajendra Badanur S/o Mr. Badanur Satyappa Govindapp Mrs. Savita Rajendra Badanur W/o Mr. Rajendra Badanur LAN : 00902070001530	All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Site No.46, formed in old Survey No.52,New Converted Survey No.52/5, vide Conversion order bearing No.A.L.N.(N).(Y).SR/31/2014 15, Dated-10-09-2014, order issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore, District, Bangalore, Situated at Abbigere Village, Presently called as "Sapthagiri Lake View Enclave", Abbigere, YeshwanthpuraHobli, Bangalore, North Taluk,Presently comes under the limits of bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Ward No.12, Bangalore, and Site Measuring East to West: 50 Ft., North to South: 30 ft., Total Area 1500 sq. ft. Boundaries East- Site No.33, West- Road, North- Site No.47, South- Site No.45	10.01.2023 / 16.02.2024 / 03.02.2025 (Physical)	15,47,258.00 + Interest & all other charges

Place : Bangalore, Date: 06.02.2025 **Authorized Officer, Cent Bank Home Finance Ltd., Bangalore**

Branch : 850/2, 1st Floor, Sai Sumukh, D-Block, Sahakaranagar, Bangalore – 560092, Ph No.080-46182255, www.cbhfl.com

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI
(Ordinary Original Civil Jurisdiction)
ARB.P. 740/2024

Indiabulls Housing Finance Ltd. .....Petitioner

Versus

Duct Master India Pvt. Ltd. And Others .....Respondents

To, Respondent No. 3:
Mr. Patel Maneck Jal No. 010, A Stage Aditya Apartments Ashwini Layouts Koramangala, Bangalore, Karnataka 560047. Email: omi@ductmasterindia.com

WHEREAS the above named Petitioner has filed a petition under Section 11(6) and Section 11(8) of the Arbitration & Conciliation Act, 1996. Whereas, this Court issued notice to you, the above named Respondent No. 3.

AND

WHEREAS it has been shown to the satisfaction of the Court that it is not possible to serve you in the ordinary way, therefore, this notice is given by publication directing you to make appearance before Ld. Joint Registrar(Judicial) of this Hon'ble Court on **10.02.2025 at 11.00 A.M.** to defend the above mentioned petition.

Further it is ordered that reply be filed within two weeks from the date of service.

Take notice that in default of your appearance on the day mentioned above, the Petition will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court in terms of orders dated 06th day of September and **18th day of October, 2024.**

Assistant Registrar (O) for Registrar General.

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NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Tender No.	Material Description	Due date
242513 006209	Procurement of 1000 MT ± 5% Office Waste Paper (White Records) in Bale form from Karnataka for TNPL Unit - I at Kagithapuram.	14.02.2025

Corrigendum if any will be issued in TNPL Website and NIC portal only. Detailed Terms & conditions are available in the tender document at our websites: **www.tnpl.com / https://tntenders.gov.in/nicgep/app**

DIPR/501/Tender/2025 *TNPL - Maker of bagasse based eco-friendly Paper*

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IDBI Bank Ltd.
Website: www.idbibank.in

CIN:L65190MH2004GOI148838

OFFICE PREMISES REQUIRED AT NAGARBHAVI & WHITEFIELD , BENGALURU

Bank desires to acquire premises on lease at both **Nagarbhavi** & **Whitefield**, Bengaluru having carpet area of around **1000 to 1500 sq. ft.,** should preferably be on First Floor and above with lift facility located strategically on the main road/adjacent lane to main road having good frontage visibility, adequate power supply and parking facility. Interested parties owning suitable premises may apply to General Manager & Senior Regional Head – Retail Asset, Bengaluru on below mentioned address within 10 days i.e. 6.00 pm on or before **17th February 2025. Shri Srinivas Bagalkot, G.M. & Sr. Regional Head, RAC, IDBI House, Regional Office, #58, Mission Road, Bengaluru - 560027.** Proposals received by **6.00 p.m.** on or before **17th February 2025** will only be accepted. The application should be made as per the & quot; **Instructions / Guidelines** for submitting the offer" Estate Agents offering premises should submit their offers with full details along with authorization letters from landlords. No brokerage will be paid by the Bank. IDBI Bank Ltd. reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the offers without assigning any reasons thereof. Performa and other details can be downloaded from our **website www.idbibank.in** under Notices-Tenders or collected from any of our branches.

Place : Bangalore
Date : 07.02.2025

Sd/-
Chief General Manager& Zonal Head

PSPCL Punjab State Power Corporation Limited

Regd. Office: PSEB Head Office, The Mall, Patiala-147001
Corporate Identification Number (CIN) : U40109PB2010SGC033813
Website : www.pspcl.in; e-tendering portal : https://eproc.punjab.gov.in
Contact No.: 96461-19383, 96461-11036

TENDER ENQUIRY No. QQ-256/2024-25/PO-C **Date : 06.02.2025**

Chief Purchase Officer / MM, Central Purchase Organization, PSPCL, 2nd Floor Multistorey Building, The Mall Road, Patiala, invites E-Tender of **13,500 Km** ACSR Weasel, Nominal Aluminium area 30mm² bearing ISI/PQM Mark conforming to IS:398 Part-II 1996 (with Latest amendments, if any) and PSPCL Specification **QQ-256.**

For detailed NIT & tender specification please refer to **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in** from **11.02.2025** from **12:30 PM** onwards.

Note: Corrigendum and addendum, if any will be published online at **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in**

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GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
Public Works Department
Executive Engineer PWD Division Chikkodi

No/PWD/CKD DIV/AE-1/TENDER/2024-25/5264 DATE: 06/02/2025

Short Term E-Tender Notification

Executive Engineer PWD Division Chikkodi has invited item wise short term e-Tenders from Eligible registered contractors for the works coming under the jurisdiction of Chikodi PWD Division 2 works under head of account 5054-MDR Improvements, amount put to tender is Rs. 160.00 Lakhs for each work.

Calendar of events:1)Pre-bid meeting date: 19-02-2025 at 11.00 AM, at The O/o the under signed.2)Last date for queries & clarifications:21-02-2025 up to 5.30 PM, 3)Last Date of Receipt of Bids:25-02-2025 up to 5.00 PM, 4)Date of opening of Technical bids (Two Cover System):27-02-2025 at 4.30 PM, 5)Date of opening of Financial bids (Two Cover System):"after approval of Technical bids", 6)If no bid received auto extension will be done by e-proc itself for 2 days.

For more information & forms of tender can be downloaded from kppp.karnataka.gov.in & departmental web site www.kpwd.gov.in. Further details can be collected from O/o Executive Engineer Public Works Dept.,Division Chikkodi during working hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer
PWD Division Chikodi.

DIPR/BGM/RO-NO-1608/KSMCA/2024-25

KARNATAKA SKILL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

(Govt. of Karnataka undertaking)
"Kaushalya Bhavan" 3rd Floor, Near Dairy Circle, Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru-560029,
Phone: 080-29522222/29550555
E-mail: sankalp_portal@kaushalkar.com

No. KSDC/SANKALP/PN/CR-08/2023-24 **Date: 06.02.2025**

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Karnataka Skill Development Corporation has invited the Tender in two cover bid systems as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 2000 through the e-procurement portal. Bids are invited from the eligible and registered Partners for the services for **"Tender for procurement and supply of learning kits under SANKALP scheme for specially abled persons trained in mobile repair job roles" Tender No. KSDC/2024-25/IND0008/CALL-2.** Last date for submission of tender documents in e-portal is 24-02-2025, 05:30PM. The e-Tender notification documents, tender processing fees & other details are available in the e-procurement web portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/** Help Desk: Phone No. +91-8046010000/ + 91-8068948777 or you may also contact the office during working hours.

Sd/- Executive Director-3
KSDC, Bengaluru

DIPR/CP/4903/AKAR/2024-25

LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

1st Floor, Jeevan Managal Building, Hayes Road, Bengaluru -560025. Ph.: 080-43003651

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Office of the M/S, LIC Housing Finance Limited the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Asset and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 9 of security Interest(enforcement) Rule 2002 issued demand notice on below mentioned date calling upon the borrower/guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The Borrower having failed to repay the amount hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act with rule 9 of the said rules on below mentioned date.
The Borrower and the public in general are here by cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with property will be subject to the charge of M/s. LIC Housing Finance Limited for an amount notice mentioned below and interest thereon,
The Borrower attention is invited to provisions of section 13(8) of the said ACT, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets

Name of the Borrower, Loan No & Possession Taken Date	Demand Notice Date	Notice Amount	Description of the Property
Ms. Shruthi M S & Mr. Yogesh B N Loan A/c No. 412000004740 & 412000004821 Symbolic possession Taken on 03/02/2025	21/11/2023	Rs. 4336010.00	**All that piece and parcel of the Magadi Purasabha No.7-6-144, Nirdharana Sankye No.1155/1, 1095/1, situated at R R Road, Magadi, 3rd Division, Magadi Town, Ramanagara District, property now comes under the limits of Purasabhe Magadi, measuring East to West: 3.048006 meters and North to South: 3.048006 meters, totally measuring 9.2903 Square meters, together with existing building thereon and bounded on: East by: Smt.Mangalamma's House, West by: Passage and Smt. Mangalamma's House, North by: Smt.Mangalamma's House, South by: Ramaraj Urs Road. Item No. II : All that piece and parcel of the Magadi Purasabha No.7-6-112, Nirdharana Sankye No.1155/1095, situated at R R Road, Magadi, 3rd Division, Magadi Town, Ramanagara District, property now comes under the limits of Purasabhe Magadi, totally measuring 53.74345650 Sq.meters, together with existing building thereon and bounded on: East by: The Joint Wall between Yalakappa and us, West by: The Middle Passage of Smt. Boramma and Smt. Hemalatha, North by: Sri.Venkatappa's House South by: Smt. Neelambik's Store and Ramraj Urs Road.**
Mr. Godur Ramesh Kumar Raju Loan A/c No. 410500003788 Symbolic possession Taken on 03/02/2025	29/11/2023	Rs. 8850905.00	**Schedule Property : Item No. I : All that piece and parcel of the Magadi Purasabha No.7-6-144, Nirdharana Sankye No.1155/1, 1095/1, situated at R R Road, Magadi, 3rd Division, Magadi Town, Ramanagara District, property now comes under the limits of Purasabhe Magadi, measuring East to West: 3.048006 meters and North to South: 3.048006 meters, totally measuring 9.2903 Square meters, together with existing building thereon and bounded on: East by: Smt. Mangalamma's House, West by: Passage and Smt. Mangalamma's House, North by: Smt. Mangalamma's House,South by: Ramaraj Urs Road. ITEM NO.II All that piece and parcel of the Magadi Purasabha No.7-6-112, Nirdharana Sankye No.1155/1095, situated at R R Road, Magadi, 3rd Division, Magadi Town, Ramanagara District, property now comes under the limits of Purasabhe Magadi, totally measuring 53.74345650 Sq.meters, together with existing building thereon and bounded on: East by: The Joint Wall between Yalakappa and us, West by: The Middle Passage of Smt.Boramma and Smt.Hemalatha North by: Sri.Venkatappa's House South by: Smt.Neelambik's Store and Ramraj Urs Road.**

Place: Bangalore
Date: 07.02.2025

Sd/- Authorized Officer
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Neme of Borrowers and Guarantors	Total Liabilities as per Sale Notice	Description of Immovable Assets	Auction Date & Time	Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Date & Time	1) Incremetal Value at Bid 2) A/c. No. & IFSC
1) M/s. Archangle Architectural Products Pvt Ltd., No. 181, 3rd Floor, Kbar Road, Austin Town Road, Bengaluru. **2) Sri B S Gnanaprakash,** No. 91, 1st Stage, 4th Cross, Kumaraswamy Layout, Near Dayanandasagar Collage, Bengaluru-560078. **3) Smt. H S Geetha,** W/o. B S Gnana Prakash, No. 91, 1st Stage, 4th Cross, Kumaraswamy Layout, Near Dayanandasagar Collage, Bengaluru-560078.	**Rs. 4,36,28,781.91/-** (Rupees Four crores thirty six lakhs twenty eight thousand seven hundred eighty one and sixty one paise Only) plus further interest thereon along with expenses, other charges, etc.	All the part and parcel of vacant residential sites measuring 2400 sft bearing site no. 455, Khata # 2047/130/455, Kenchanakuppe Gram Panchayat approved by BMRDA vide # BMRDA/ LAO/143/2005-06 dated 29/10/2015 'ABM City' Sy No. 20/4, Kallugopahalli Village, Bidadi Hobli, Ramanagaram Taluk, Bangalore Rural in the name of Gnanaprakash B S, bounded by : East : Site No. 454, West : Site No. 456, North : Site No. 440, South : Road.	**25.02.2025 from 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m**	**Reserve Price :** Rs. 36.90 Lakhs **EMD :** Rs. 3.69 Lakhs **24.02.2025 up to 4.00 PM**	1) Multiples of **Rs. 50,000/-** 2) A/c. No. 209272434, IFSC : CNRB0006298 **Encumbrance (s) : Not known to Bank**
2) 1. Sri M Pawan Kumar. No. 307/7, 23rd Cross, 6th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560082. **2. Smt M Latha Preethi** W/o. M Pawan Kumar, No. 307/7, 23rd Cross, 6th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560082.	**Rs. 6,37,88,532.36/-** (Rupees Six Crore Thirty seven lakhs eighty eight thousand five hundred and thirty two only and thirty six paisa only) as on 31.01.2025 plus further interest thereon along with expenses, other charges, etc.	All that piece and parcel of the property bearing BDA Site No 348 BBMP Municipal No 348 PID No 57-327-348 Situated at 9th main road, Dollors Colony J P nagar 4th phase, Municipal Ward No 57, Bengaluru-560078. measuring east to west 24.38 meters, North to south 15.24 meters, admeasuring 371.55 Sqmt of 4000 Sqft together with residential building constructed there on & bounded on the : East by : Road, West By : Site No 311, North By : Site No 347, South By Site No 349.	**25.02.2025 from 2.30 p.m. to 3.00 p.m**	**Reserve Price :** Rs. 8,58,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 85,80,000/- **24.02.2025 up to 4.00 PM**	1) Multiples of **Rs. 2,00,000/-** 2) A/c. No. 209272434, IFSC : CNRB0006298

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Date : 05.02.2025
Place : Bengaluru

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Name of Borrowers and Guarantors	Total Liabilities as per Sale Notice	Description of Immovable Assets	Auction Date & Time	Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposit [EMD] Date & Time	1) Incremental Value at Bid 2) A/c No. & IFSC
M/s Shine Plast No. 82, Risaldar street, 2nd cross, Seshadripuram, Bengaluru 560020 **Mr. Mohammed Ashraf T M,** No. 82, Risaldar Street, 2nd Cross, Seshadripuram, Bengaluru - 560020	**Rs. Rs. 7,48,52,035.34/-** (Rupees Seven crores forty eight lakhs fifty two thousand thirty five and Thirty Four paise Only) plus further interest thereon along with expenses, other charges, etc.	All that piece and parcel of residential property bearing BBMP Municipal No.17,Risaldhar Street, Seshadripuram having PID NO.27-105-17 & new PID No. 094-w0086-4 earlier known as Corporation No 105, Risaldar street, Seshadripuram, Bengaluru measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 45 feet in all totally measuring 1350sq ft along with building consisting of Ground, First, Second and Terrace floors bounded by : East : Municipal no.14 & 15 West : 85 ft common passage and municipal no.16 North : Municipal no 17/2 South : Risaldhar street (park road)	25.02.2025 Time 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m	**Reserve Price:** Rs. 139.14 Lakhs **EMD :** Rs. 13.92 Lakhs **before 24.02.2025 up to 4.00 pm**	1) Multiples of Rs. 1,00,000/- 2) A/c No. 209272434 IFSC : CNRB0006298 **Encumbrance (s):** Not known to Bank
1) M/s Lakshmi Biotech D-9/139 SFS 407, 4TH PHASE New Town, Yelahanka Bangalore-560064 **2) Also at : M/s Lakshmi Biotech,** 175/5, 10th Cross Thyagarajanagar, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560004 **3) Mr. T Kullayi Reddy** S/o: T Ramachandra Reddy D-10, SCC Saphire Apartment Ananthapura Gate Yelahanka Bengaluru-560064 **4) Mrs. Sunitha Lakhsmi** W/o T Kullayi Reddy D 10,SCC Sapphire apartment Ananthapura Gate, Yelahanka New Town Bengaluru 560064 **5) Also at : Mrs. Sunithalakshmi** W/o T Kullayi Reddy, Flat No. 415 & 416 S - LIG, First floor, 35th block 5th floor, Housing board Yelahanka New town Bengaluru 560064	**Rs.10,91,82,544.81/-**(Ten crores ninety one lakhs eight two thousand five hundred forty four and eighty one paisa only) as on date, together with future interest, expenses and costs etc till realisation due to ARM Branch II, Bangalore of Canara Bank from M/s Lakshmi Biotech.	**Details and full description of the property :** 9 No.s of residential Shirke LIG Flats (2 flats owned by T Sunitha Lakshmi & 7 flats owned by T K reddy) at 5th phase, Karnataka Housing Board, Yelahanka New Town, Bangalore-560064 measuring 1213.64 sqft.	25.02.2025 11.30 AM to 12.30 PM	**Reserve Price:** As Mentioned Below **EMD :** As Mentioned Below **before 24.02.2025 at 4.00 PM.**	1) Multiples of Rs. 25,000/- 2) A/c No. 209272434 IFSC : CNRB0006298 **Encumbrance (s):** Not known to Bank

Block No.	Flat No	Floor	SBA (Sq.ft.)	Extent	Reliazable Value	EMD Amount
38	447	Ground	269.1	Land measuring East to West 10.25 mts and North to South 11.00 mts Total 112.75 sq mts	Rs. 6,05,475/-	Rs. 60,548/-
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35	416	1st	269.1	Land measuring East to West 10.25 mts and North to South 11.00 mts Total 112.75 sq mts	Rs. 6,05,475/-	Rs. 60,548/-
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39	464	1st	269.1	Land measuring East to West 10.25 mts and North to South 11.00 mts Total 112.75 sq mts	Rs. 6,05,475/-	Rs. 60,548/-
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Date : 05.02.2025 & 06.02.2025

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BWF new scoring system in select meets from April

With an aim to attract new audience to the sport and make the matches shorter, the Badminton World Federation (BWF) is set to trial a new 3x15 scoring system in select competitions for at least six months, starting April this year. The existing format offers 21-point best-of-three-game matches (3x21). The BWF Council endorsed the 3x15 scoring system to replace the current scoring system during its meeting in November.

Rohit in no-man's land yet again

India captain fails to reach double figures once again; hosts, however, win 1st ODI by 4 wkts

GOMESH S @ Nagpur

JUST as his bat met the ball, Rohit Sharma knew where it would lead to. He hung his head down with a sigh as soon as the Saqib Mahmood delivery took the toe end of the bat and flew in the air at the packed VCA Stadium in Nagpur on Thursday. Sharma knew his innings was over; that his nightmare form was continuing even in a format that suits him best. And that there is more pressure.

Liam Livingstone completed the catch as a disheartened Sharma had fallen for two runs from seven balls in the first ODI against England. The haunting silence from the fans – in contrast to the cheer he had received all day – might have only made the walk back to the dressing room a bit longer.

It is not the start he would have wanted. Not at this time of his career where every failure is coming under the lens. He has already retired from T20Is and there is no certainty that he will be on that plane to England in June for the five-Test series. All Sharma has in front of him right now is the Champions Trophy. It is no doubt that Sharma is under pressure. The mode of dismissals point poignantly towards his fading aura and touch. What seems even more disturbing is that there seems to be a pattern emerging as Sharma went in way too early to hit the inswinger from Mahmood over midwicket, which resulted in a leading edge.

This is not the first time Sharma has got out in such a fashion. In the first week of November – during the third Test against New Zealand in Mumbai – Sharma tried to pull a back-of-length delivery off Matt Henry. It is a shot he has played successfully numerous times over the years. However, he ended up being late on the pull and the ball climbed on him, took the top edge and Glenn Phillips did the rest.

Rohit Sharma walks back to the pavilion after his dismissal on Thursday | PTI

In the first innings of the Boxing Day Test against Australia in Melbourne, Sharma was in a similar position. He shuffled across, setting himself to pull his counterpart Pat Cummins, but didn't really commit to it. A half-hearted shot resulted in a leading edge and his downfall. In the second innings, he tried to whip the Australian pacer from fifth stump while being stuck on the front foot. The ball took the outside edge and flew to the slip cordon, ending a 40-ball nine.

Even during his Ranji Trophy return there are similarities in dismissal. Playing against Jammu & Kashmir at the Sharad Pawar Academy Ground in BKC, Mumbai, Sharma fell to Umar Nazir for a 19-ball three in what was almost a repeat of his dismissal to Henry in November and Cummins in the second innings of Melbourne: a top edge to a pull.

It was the kind of dismissal that would bring the 37-year-old's movement and reflexes under the scanner. His aging limbs are slower. After Nagpur, an already under pressure Sharma might be feeling the heat. One could get a glimpse of it during the press conference when a genial Sharma looked uneasy on Wednesday.

Brief scores: England 248 in 47.4 ovs (Buttler 52, Bethell 51, Salt 43; Jadeja 3/26, Rana 3/53) **lost to** India 251/6 in 38.4 ovs (Gill 87, Shreyas 59, Axar 52).

Full story: newindianexpress.com

WASN'T SUPPOSED TO PLAY THE MATCH: IYER

Shreyas Iyer's 36-ball 59 helped India put pressure back on England and secure a four-wicket win. However, Iyer later revealed that he got the chance because of Virat Kohli's sore knee. "I wasn't supposed to play the first game as we all know. Virat unfortunately got injured and I got the opportunity. But I kept myself prepared. I knew that at any point of time I could get a chance to play. And the same thing happened with me last year as well during the Asia Cup. I got injured and someone else came and he scored a century," he told the broadcasters after the win. In fact, Iyer was having a movie night on Wednesday when he got a call from captain Rohit Sharma. "I was watching a movie last night. I thought that I could extend my night. Then I got a call from Skipper saying that you may play because Virat has got a sore knee. And then hurried back to my room, went off to sleep straight away," he added.

GOMESH S

A MEMORABLE DEBUT FOR SPEEDSTER HARSHIT RANA

GOMESH S @ Nagpur

HARSHIT Rana was walking back to his bowling mark staring into oblivion. On the first ball of his third over in one-day internationals — it was his debut in the format for India at the VCA Stadium, Nagpur — the pacer had been hit for a six by England opener Phil Salt: A top edge that flew over the ropes behind the keeper.

While Rana had already been hit for a couple of fours in his first over, he was about to receive a proper welcome to the ODI format. The next ball, a length delivery, Salt hit through the line to extra cover boundary. Rana, who rose to fame in the Indian Premier League, resorted to a slower ball and was slog-swept for a six. Another four and a six came as Rana was taken for 26 runs by Salt in that over. Three overs, 37/0. Not the kind of a start you would want to have on your ODI debut as a fast bowler. Even more so when you have been fast-tracked in the last eight months and have already played the other two formats for India. From making waves for Kolkata Knight Riders in IPL last year to Test debut in Australia to a T20I debut as a concussion debut, the last year had been a bit of an upward curve for the Delhi pacer.

Understandably, after three overs, Rana was taken off by Rohit Sharma. England were cruising and India needed someone to apply the brakes. Hardik Pandya came on at the other end and Axar Patel replaced Rana. And that was enough for England to make an unforced error. A horrible mix-up between Ben Duckett and Phil Salt led to the latter's run out. And that was all India needed. Rana was brought back from the same end immediately, but this time, he had a plan. He dug in short, coming from around the wicket and the ball climbed on Duckett. A well-timed pull ended up being a dismissal courtesy of an incredible running behind catch from the other debutant Yashasvi Jaiswal. It was a much-needed morale boost for Rana.

Two balls later, he pitched it short again, and the out-of-form Harry Brook nicked one to KL Rahul. Rana had taken two in four balls and England were three down. From thereon, India never really lost control. Rana went from 0/37 in three to 3/53, including the wicket of Liam Livingstone in seven overs and England were all out for 248. What started as a nightmarish debut ended up being a memorable one for Rana.

He came as a cover for Jasprit Bumrah, but if the senior pacer doesn't get fit in time, Rana could be the replacement India could prefer for the Champions Trophy. While one has to wait and see what happens, Shravan Kumar, Rana's childhood coach, is a happy man.

"It feels great when your student plays all three formats for India. It shows that something is right with your coaching," Shravan Kumar laughs. By nature an aggressive cricketer, Shravan believes that Rana will learn to control it and focus on accuracy. "You start with a little accuracy, after that, you should go for pace. He sometimes goes for the extra speed and gets hit but then comes back better," Kumar told this daily.

For Chandrakant Pandit, head coach of KKR, it is the confidence that Rana has on his abilities which makes the difference. "Whatever we have seen from the first year, especially in IPL, he could respond to the various situations. He is very well aware about what ability he has. He has definitely learned more about bowling in the death, bowling with the new ball, has variations with the slower deliveries and a good short delivery, because he has got the pace. He likes challenges, I believe," Pandit said.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Navy's Niraj upstages Oly medallist

AGENCIES @ Dehradun

INDIAN Navy's Niraj Kumar stunned Paris Olympics bronze medallist Swapnil Kumar and Aishwary Pratap Singh Tomar to win gold in the men's 50-metre rifle 3 positions event at the National Games here on Thursday. Representing Services Sports Control Board (SSCB), the 25-year-old Niraj, who is no stranger to winning medals in top competitions, shot a remarkable score of 464.1 to secure the top spot.

Madhya Pradesh's Aishwary Pratap Singh Tomar secured the silver with a score of 462.4, while Maharashtra's Swapnil, who made history as the first Indian shooter to win an Olympic medal in this event with his bronze at the Paris Games last year, settled for third place (447.7). Meanwhile, in the 10-metre air pistol mixed team event, Haryana's Suruchi Singh and Parmod defeated Rajasthan's Anjali Shekhawat and Umesh Choudhary 17-7 to clinch the gold medal.

Niraj Kumar (top) and Deepika Kumari rejoice on Thursday | PTI

Prajwal powers K'taka

SD Prajwal Dev won both his singles and doubles matches against Services Sports Control Board (SSCB) to steer top seeds Karnataka to the final of the tennis event at the Games. Karnataka, the reigning champions, will take on second seeds Tamil Nadu in the gold medal match on Friday. Tamil Nadu overcame Maharashtra 2-1 in the other semifinal. Niki Poonacha played the first match, losing 4-6, 6-1, 1-6 to Services' Rishab Agarwal. It was then left to the experienced Prajwal Dev to keep Karnataka's hopes alive. The 28-year-old beat Ishaque Iqbal 6-2, 3-6, 6-3 to take the match to the decisive doubles rubber. Prajwal then teamed up with Niki to defeat Faisal Qamar and Rishab Agarwal 6-3, 6-4.

Deepika and Juyel triumph

Emerging West Bengal archer Juyel Sarkar stunned veteran Tarundeep Rai, a four-time Olympian, to emerge the recurve champion, while seasoned Deepika Kumari bagged the women's gold at the Games. Jharkhand and Maharashtra clinched two gold each while West Bengal won one on the sixth and penultimate day of archery competitions. The highly-decorated Deepika clinched two gold — one each in the individual and team event.

Wins for Lovlina, Shiva

Olympic medallist Lovlina Borgohain and Shiva Thapa led the way with commanding wins in their respective boxing bouts at the Games.

REAL CONTENDERS

WITH THE LEAGUE STAGES OF RANJI TROPHY COMING TO AN END, A LOOK AT HOW THE TEAMS THAT HAVE QUALIFIED FOR KNOCKOUTS HAVE FARED SO FAR...

Jammu & Kashmir have had an incredible run so far this season | PTI

JAMMU & KASHMIR

Easily the story of the season. They kicked off with two draws and three wins in the first half before facing the tougher opponents. And then went on to beat the defending champs Mumbai, which fielded all India stars including Rohit Sharma, and Baroda to top the group. Their last match against Baroda was filled with controversies as well. Now they are up against Kerala in a home game, but at Pune.

TAMIL NADU

What should have been a stroll ended up being a nervy entry to quarters. They had three wins but the season has been filled with mixed performances and injuries. Lack of runs from Pradosh Ranjan Paul and B Indrajith, who is now injured, affected them. Then there is B Sai Sudarshan, who was injured but now has been added in the squad.

MUMBAI

The defending champions' road to quarters was not an easy one. After the loss against Jammu and Kashmir, they almost did not make the cut, but managed to crush Meghalaya and with the result in the J&K vs Baroda game going their way, Mumbai booked their seat. At the core of Mumbai's success is all-rounder Shardul Thakur who has bailed them out time and again this season.

KERALA

They might have been in the news for not picking Sanju Samson recently but Kerala have quietly gone about their business as they always do. Jalaj Saxena doing what he does well while Salman Nizar and Mohammed Azharuddeen scoring runs along side Rohan Kunnummal. If they beat J&K in Pune, it will be a story to tell for Kerala.

GUJARAT

It was a season of seizing the crucial moments for Gujarat. Whether the win against Hyderabad or one-wicket victory against Andhra or avoiding defeat against Vidarbha, they managed to hold on whenever needed. And then dominated the second half with back to back wins. However, they will be up against a domestic giants in Saurashtra.

SAURASHTRA

They have been the most consistent side over the years. But did not have a single win in the first four rounds. The second half saw the return of Ravindra Jadeja, who along with Cheteshwar Pujara, played a crucial part in wins against Delhi and Assam. An innings win was required to qualify and that is exactly what Saurashtra secured against Assam.

VIDARBHA

Finalists from last time, they picked from where they left. And then of course, Karun Nair, Yash Rathod and Akshay Wadkar piled on runs. Through the first half, Vidarbha had four wins and a first innings lead. They went on to remain unbeaten with two more wins in the second half. At home, they will be confident taking on an injury-ridden Tamil Nadu side.

HARYANA

Another team that hasn't lost a game in the league stage. Two wins in the first half followed by a massive victory against Bengal sealed the deal. They will take a lot of confidence from the batting show against Karnataka but taking on Mumbai will not be easy. The one advantage they have is playing at home which something Haryana would want to make the most of.

Q/F SCHEDULE (FEB 8-12)

J&K vs Kerala, Pune
Vidarbha vs Tamil Nadu, Nagpur
Haryana vs Mumbai, Rohtak
Saurashtra vs Gujarat, Rajkot

Kazakhstan's Timofey Skatov reached the singles quarterfinals on Thursday | ASHWIN PRASATH

Ramkumar-Saketh duo storms into semifinals

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

ONCE again the Indian players gave a brilliant display in the doubles segment as the duo of Jeevan Nedunchezhiyan and Vijay Sundar Prashanth, the second seeds, and defending champions Ramkumar Ramanathan and Saketh Myneni, the third seeds, moved into the semifinals and of the Chennai Open ATP Challenger on Thursday.

The duo of Nedunchezhiyan and Prashanth recorded a comfortable 6-2, 6-2 win in just over an hour against Zimbabwe's Courtney John Lock and Japan's Rio Noguchi. Ramkumar combined admirably with Myneni to have a smooth ride into the last four with a 6-3, 6-4 win over Egor Agafonov and Evgenii Tiurnev.

Nedunchezhiyan and Prashanth will take on the unseeded Japanese pair of Shintaro Mochizuki and Kaito Uesugi, who upset fourth seeds Francis Casey Alcantara and Pruchya Isaro 7-5, 6-4. **Results: Singles: Round 2:** Billy Harris (GBR) bt Ergi Kirkin (TUR) 6-3, 6-3; Dalibor Svrcina (CZE) bt Lloyd Harris (RSA) 6-1, 6-1; Kyrian Jacquet (FRA) bt Alexis Galarneau (CAN) 6-2, 6-2; Shintaro Mochizuki (JPN) bt Michael Geerts (BEL) 6-4, 6-4; Timofey Skatov (KAZ) bt Aslan Karatsev 6-4, 7-5; Oleksandr Ovcharenko (UKR) bt Alexey Zakharov 0-6, 7-6, 6-4. **Doubles: Q/Fs:** Ray Ho (TPE)/Matthew Christopher Romios (AUS) bt Siddhant Banthia (IND)/Parikshit Somani (IND) 7-6, 7-6; Jeevan Nedunchezhiyan (IND)/Vijay Sundar Prashanth (IND) bt Courtney John Lock (ZIM)/Rio Noguchi (JPN) 6-2, 6-2; Saketh Myneni (IND)/Ramkumar Ramanathan (IND) bt Egor Agafonov/Evgenii Tiurnev 6-3, 6-4; Shintaro Mochizuki (JPN)/Kaito Uesugi (JPN) bt Francis Casey Alcantara (PHI) / Pruchya Isaro (THA) 7-5, 6-4.

EXPRESS READ

Ex-Real star Marcelo announces retirement

MADRID: Marcelo, the former Real Madrid and Brazil left back, announced his retirement on Thursday at the age of 36. In a video on X, Marcelo said: "My journey as a player ends here, but I still have so much to give to football. Thank you for everything." An attacking left back, Marcelo had one of the most trophy-filled careers in football history thanks to his time at Madrid from 2007-22 and his return to boyhood Brazilian club Fluminense across 2023-24.

Lahore's Gaddafi Stadium is ready for CT: PCB

LAHORE: The Pakistan Cricket Board on Thursday announced that the renovation and upgradation work at Lahore's Gaddafi stadium has been completed in record time of 117 days and it is now ready to host international matches, including the ICC Champions Trophy. The PCB said that the new-look stadium now has better facilities, new floodlights, hospitality boxes, increased seating capacity.

Cummins and Hazlewood ruled out of CT

GALLE: Australia were on Thursday dealt more blows with captain Pat Cummins and senior pacer Josh Hazlewood being ruled out of the ICC Champions Trophy owing to injuries. Cummins has not recovered from the ankle niggle that plagued him towards the end of the recent Border-Gavaskar Trophy Test series against India, while Hazlewood is still recuperating from a calf strain. Hazlewood's last outing was against India in the drawn third Test at Brisbane.

Newcastle beat Arsenal to enter League Cup final

AGENCIES @ London

NEWCASTLE are back in the English League Cup final for another chance to end their 70-year wait for a Major domestic trophy. The Saudi-controlled northeast club beat Arsenal 2-0 in the second leg of the semifinals on Wednesday to advance 4-0 on aggregate. Jacob Murphy and Anthony Gordon scored the goals at a boisterous St. James' Park.

For Newcastle, it marks another opportunity to capture a first piece of silverware since being bought by Saudi Arabia's sovereign wealth fund in 2021.

Real beat Leganes 3-2

MADRID: Gonzalo Garcia scored in stoppage time as Real Madrid defeated Leganes 3-2 to reach the semifinals of the Copa del Rey. Atletico Madrid had become the first team to reach the semis on Tuesday.

De Zorzi shines as Sunrisers Eastern Cape reach SA20 final

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @ Centurion

AROUND eight years ago, just after a then young Tony de Zorzi was given the honour of leading an age-group Protea outfit to the World Cup, the southpaw's stocks collapsed like a house of cards. Touted for the top-most echelon of the game from a young age, the teen (the school he went to in Johannesburg, King Edwards VII, counts Graeme Smith and Quinton de Kock among its alma mater) didn't have the greatest time of it at the World Cup.

He had to start from scratch, one of the hardest things to do in elite sport as you have to unlearn and relearn the entire grammar of the game. So he put himself through the grind, taking the scenic route to the top. Luckily for him, there was a believer. Former New Zealand cricketer, Kruger van Wyk, a coach at University of Pretoria. At a time when De Zorzi was at a low point in his life, Van Wyk appointed De Zorzi as the captain. "TuksCricket," a news item from the University reads, "coaches seemingly have fine tuned the art of getting young cricketers to become players who can influence the outcome of any game." It states further: "Two things matter to the coaches — student-athletes completing their studies and secondly, it is to get players to play to fulfil their true potential."

Tony de Zorzi | x

De Zorzi, 27, has taken his time but he's now there, playing at the level he was earmarked for. In front of a packed crowd under the lights at Supersport Park in Centurion, he reduced the second qualifier between Sunrisers Eastern Cape (SEC) and Paarl Royals to a footnote. Chasing 176 to earn the right to face MI Cape Town in the final of the third edition of the SA20, De Zorzi was full of gumption and enterprise during his 49-ball 78. Even if he missed the chance to rubber-stamp his class with a ton, when he got out, all tension and jeopardy had been removed from the contest. In what was the SA20s 100th match, PR may have been forgiven for thinking they had put up a challenging total to challenge SEC's hegemony of the tournament — the defending champions are one win away from a three-peat, an extremely rare thing for a side in an environment as fickle as a month-long T20 league. **Brief scores:** Paarl Royals 175/5 in 20 ovs (R Hermann 81) **lost to** Sunrisers Eastern Cape 177/2 in 19.2 ovs (De Zorzi 78, J Hermann 69 n.o).

Full story: newindianexpress.com

French artificial intelligence (AI) developer Mistral AI on Thursday launched iOS and Android apps for its "Le Chat" chatbot, apparently taking a page from Chinese contender DeepSeek's book. The company also launched two subscription versions of Le Chat Thursday alongside the existing free option

Why quick commerce companies and offline smartphone retailers are at loggerheads

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

IN 2024, Blinkit, a quick-commerce app, made headlines by announcing it would deliver the latest iPhone 16 series smartphones within a few minutes. The news quickly grabbed attention and received widespread praise on social media. The company began offering the iPhone 16 series to customers in Delhi NCR, Mumbai, Pune, and Bengaluru. While many users lauded the move, it drew the ire of offline retailers. These retailers, who have been selling smartphones for years, raised concerns about the potential impact on their market. According to reports, in recent months, several major smartphone brands—including Samsung, Motorola, Itel, Lava, POCO, and Xiaomi—have begun listing their products on Zepto, further eroding the market share of traditional retailers. Recently, Vivo also started selling its entry-level models, the Y18i and Y29, with an exclusive 5% ICICI Bank discount on purchases above ₹5,000.

What's the matter?

After Blinkit successfully delivered the iPhone 16 series, other brands began listing their products on quick-commerce apps like Zepto and Blinkit, which promise deliveries within ten to twelve minutes. Over the past few months, nearly every major mobile brand has joined the trend, offering their products for sale on these platforms.

Offline mobile retailers have long been critical of online sales channels, accusing smartphone brands of prioritising platforms like Flipkart and Amazon, which they claim harms their business. With the new partnerships between smartphone brands and quick-commerce companies, retailers fear further competition and the disruption of traditional retail structures. They argue that such tie-ups fuel the grey market and erode the trust they've built with customers over time.

The All India Mobile Retailers Association (AIMRA), which represents 1.5 lakh retailers in the country, has voiced concerns saying that quick-commerce platforms do not add value to brands but instead disrupt the retail network. They warned that short-term sales strategies could destabilize long-term relationships with retailers. AIMRA's national joint secretary, Navneet Pathak, wrote a letter to Vivo India CEO Jerome Chen, highlighting the significant growth Vivo has experienced through its partnerships with mainline retailers, which he says contributed to the company's rise to the No. 1 position in the Indian market.

What experts say

Faisal Kawoosa, founder of TechArc, agrees with the concerns of offline retailers, calling their demands reasonable. He believes using quick-commerce platforms to sell smartphones could harm traditional retailers by taking away their advantage of immediate product availability. On the other hand, some believe that by 2025, more types of electronics—like smartwatches, TWS earbuds, and accessories—will be sold on quick-commerce platforms, with smartphones being just the start. Major laptop makers such as HP, Lenovo, Acer, and Asus have already started listing their products on these platforms. HP, for example, recently partnered with Blinkit to sell laptops, monitors, printers, and accessories. Acer has also listed some of its products on Zepto and Flipkart Minutes in select areas.

Some analysts, however, believe quick-commerce companies will primarily compete with online retailers like Flipkart and Amazon and will likely capture a larger share of the market in the future.

BEST BUDGET GAMING LAPTOPS

A COMPREHENSIVE GUIDE

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

IN today's gaming landscape, having a high-spec laptop is no longer a luxury but a necessity for avid gamers. With the constant evolution of gaming technology, laptops have become essential tools for gamers to stay ahead of the curve. A good gaming laptop should offer a combination of powerful processors, high-quality graphics cards, ample storage, and vibrant displays. Fortunately, there are a variety of options on the market to suit different budgets and gaming needs. From budget-friendly choices to high-end gaming machines, gamers can find a laptop that matches their requirements and preferences.

1 HP VICTUS 12TH GEN GAMING LAPTOP

Take your gaming experience to the next level with the HP Victus 12th Gen Gaming Laptop. Powered by an Intel Core i5 processor and NVIDIA GeForce RTX 2050 GPU, this laptop ensures smooth gameplay and quick load times. It comes with 16GB DDR4 RAM and a 512GB PCIe Gen4 SSD for fast data transfer. The 15.6-inch FHD display with a 144Hz refresh rate provides stunning visuals, making it ideal for popular titles like COD, GTA V, Counterstrike, Cyberpunk 2077, and God of War 4. The HP Victus packs a 52.5Wh battery and weighs 3.11kg. It also features B&O audio, WiFi 6E, and Bluetooth 5.3 connectivity, and comes bundled with an Xbox Game Pass subscription.

2 ASUS TUF F15 GAMING LAPTOP

At an affordable ₹49,990, the Asus TUF F15 Gaming Laptop offers exceptional gaming performance. Powered by an 11th Gen Intel Core i5 processor and an RTX 2050 GPU, this laptop ensures seamless gaming sessions. The 15-inch FHD anti-glare display with adaptive sync provides an immersive experience, while the graphite black color and rugged design add to its appeal. Under the hood, the laptop features a 48Wh battery and WiFi 6 connectivity, making it a reliable choice for gamers.

3 ACER ALG GAMING LAPTOP

Experience gaming like never before with the ACER ALG Gaming Laptop. This powerful device boasts a 15.6-inch Full HD display with a slim design and narrow bezels. Powered by a 12th-generation Intel Core i5 processor, it delivers unmatched speed and performance. With 16GB RAM and 512GB storage, you can enjoy seamless gaming and multitasking. The ACER ALG also features WiFi, Bluetooth, and multiple USB ports for connectivity. Additionally, it has a backlit keyboard with a numeric pad, making it perfect for both gaming and productivity. Priced at ₹49,999.

4 MSI THIN 15 GAMING LAPTOP

The MSI Thin 15 Gaming Laptop is available on Amazon for ₹58,990. Powered by an Intel Core i5 processor, this laptop provides fast performance with a maximum clock speed of 4.6GHz. It features a 15.6-inch FHD display with a 144Hz refresh rate, making it ideal for gaming. With NVIDIA GeForce RTX 3050 graphics, up to 16GB RAM, and 512GB SSD storage, this laptop is built for performance. The MSI Thin 15 runs on Windows 11 Home with lifetime validity and includes an HD webcam. Connectivity options include USB ports, HDMI, WiFi 6E, and Bluetooth 5.3. Weighing just 1.86kg, it's easy to carry around.

5 Lenovo LOQ 2024 Gaming Laptop

The Lenovo LOQ 2024 Gaming Laptop is available on Amazon for ₹56,990. Powered by an AMD Ryzen 5 processor, this laptop delivers fast performance with a maximum clock speed of 4.2GHz. It features a 15.6-inch FHD IPS display with a 144Hz refresh rate and 300 nits brightness, making it perfect for gaming. It so supports NVIDIA GeForce RTX 3050 graphics and has WiFi 6E and Bluetooth 5.2 connectivity.

Firms aware of environmental footprint of Gen AI

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GENERATIVE AI adoption has accelerated rapidly, as AI not only drives business growth but also has the potential to enhance energy efficiency and support sustainability initiatives. However, generative AI requires processing vast amounts of data and significant computational power, which consumes large quantities of electricity, water, and other resources.

A recent report by the Capgemini Research Institute titled Developing sustainable Gen AI shows that Gen AI has a significant and growing negative environmental impact. However, many organisations are failing to appropriately track this growing footprint, which is jeopardizing their ESG (environmental, social and governance) objectives.

It says that 48% of executives believe their use of generative AI has driven a rise in greenhouse gas emissions. This increase in carbon footprint is projected to continue to grow. Organisations that currently measure their Gen AI footprint expect the share of generative AI-driven emissions as a proportion of total organisational carbon emissions to rise, on average, from 2.6% to 4.8% over the next two years. "To mitigate this, organisations are increasingly turning to renewable energy sources and optimising their AI infrastructure," the report said.

The report notes that only 12% of executives who use Gen AI say their organizations measure the environmental footprint of their use, and only 38% claim to be aware of that environmental impact. Interestingly, only one fifth of executives rank the environmental footprint of Gen AI among the Top 5 factors when selecting or building Gen AI models, and more than half recognise that including sustainability as a key criterion in vendor selection for all generative AI-related requirements would reduce environmental footprint. "If we want Gen AI to be a force for sustainable business value, there needs to be a market discussion around data collaboration, drawing up industry-wide standards around how we account for the environmental footprint of AI, so business leaders are equipped to make more informed, responsible business decisions, and mitigate these impacts," said Cyril Garcia, Capgemini's head of global sustainability services and corporate responsibility.

The report suggests that businesses should conduct a thorough assessment of both the financial ROI and environmental footprint of their generative AI projects before launch. They should consider whether they need energy-intensive generative AI technologies in cases where they could use an alternative. It also proposes that sustainable practices should be implemented throughout AI's lifecycle, including hardware, model architecture, energy sources for data centres, and implementing sustainable usage policies.

Multidisciplinary governance models and effective policies and industry-wide collaboration between stakeholders across the Gen AI ecosystem will also be important for organisations that want to achieve safe, transparent, sustainable, and ethical generative AI usage, the report suggested.

'Agentic AI represents the next wave of innovation'

UMA KANNAN @ Bengaluru

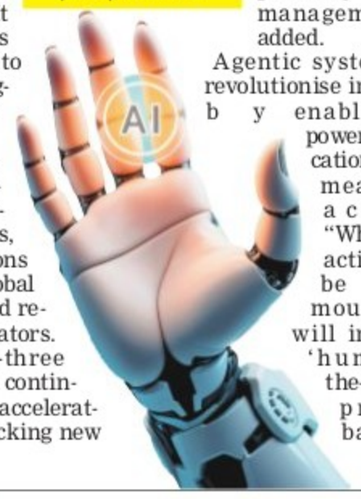
IF 2024 was marked by an AI gold rush, 2025 will focus on AI's practical utility, says AI data cloud company Snowflake's MD for India Vijayant Rai. According to him, organisations have been rapidly adopting AI to stay competitive and seize new opportunities, and now enterprises must clarify their objectives for AI adoption—whether it's to access information faster, accelerate decision-making, boost productivity, or achieve other goals.

"While not every application will leverage AI, those that integrate language models, knowledge repositories, and human input will continue to evolve and improve," he told TNIE. Practical AI applications are likely to emerge in unexpected areas, making it crucial for CEOs and boards to identify where investments will deliver the greatest returns.

Talking about return on investments (ROI), he said achieving real ROI will depend on focusing AI efforts on areas with measurable impact while maintaining checks and balances through human oversight and reliable data.

This year, the company's focus will include key sectors such as BFSI, Manufacturing, Logistics, Retail and CPG, and public sector to drive enterprise growth. It is also expanding its commercial portfolio to support SMEs and digital natives on their data and AI journey. "Our growth strategy emphasises building a robust ecosystem of partnerships, including collaborations with hyperscalers, global consulting firms, and regional system integrators. Over the next two-three years, Snowflake will continue investing in India, accelerating growth and unlocking new opportunities," he said. Agentic AI is expected to yield tangible outcomes by the end 2025 as the first wave of high-value use cases enters production. These include resolving customer service issues, detecting cyber threats, and improving project management, he added.

Vijayant Rai, Managing Director (India), Snowflake



Agentic systems can revolutionise industries by enabling AI-powered applications to take meaningful action. "While some actions will be autonomous, most will involve a 'human-in-the-loop' approach, balancing automation and oversight. This evolution fosters advanced automation and offers enterprises a clear return on investment for their AI initiatives. Unlike generative AI, which excels in creating content, agentic systems are designed to execute tasks independently through autonomous decision-making, delivering concrete results," Rai explained.

"The potential is transformational. For businesses ready to embrace it, agentic AI represents the next wave of innovation and a pathway to sustained value creation. Over time, it could pave the way for an environment shaped by Artificial General Intelligence (AGI)," he said. Rai also stressed on investing in skilling. Every employee needs the skills to thrive in a data- and AI-driven world. This requires making AI accessible to users of all skill levels while ensuring they understand its applications across the data lifecycle and how to interact with these technologies effectively, he said.

TECHNOLOGY BUZZ

Edtech firm Great Learning launches two new AI tools

Edtech company Great Learning has launched two artificial intelligence tools—AI Mentor and AI Teacher. The company said these AI innovations are set to transform the overall digital learning experience, making high-quality education personalised, accessible, affordable and scalable for learners worldwide. With the AI Mentor, every learner gets their own personal learning coach to support them through their learning journey at every step. If a learner gets stuck while coding, the AI Mentor provides real-time coding support by dropping intelligent hints to nudge them towards the correct solution without revealing the answer directly. It also makes them job-ready through AI-driven mock interviews to simulate real-world job interview scenarios, which help learners build their confidence to crack interviews, said Mohan Lakhamraju, Founder & CEO of Great Learning, at the launch.

Salesforce to help Tata Play use AI to understand customer needs

Salesforce has announced a strategic collaboration with Tata Play to accelerate relevant and customised experiences to its user base nationwide. By leveraging Salesforce's AI-powered solutions, Tata Play will unify customer data—including subscriptions, interactions, and viewership patterns—creating a single view of its customers to enhance targeting, optimise campaigns, and deliver personalized experiences across platforms. Harit Nagpal, Managing Director & CEO, Tata Play said, "By partnering with Salesforce, we are unlocking the power of AI and data to better understand our subscribers and deliver relevance at every interaction." He added that Tata Play will now have "a deeper understanding of each subscriber and their individual needs, enabling us to provide tailored solutions to everyone without disturbing others during the process."

Oracle launches 'Project Vidya' to train five lakh youth in AI

Oracle has announced Project Vidya, to train up to 5,00,000 youth and women in India, in the latest digital technologies including artificial intelligence (AI), Gen AI, cybersecurity, cloud computing, machine learning (ML), data science and application development by 2028. Delivered by Oracle University, the company's comprehensive training and enablement service provider, Project Vidya will provide learners with training and certification in key digital skills to equip them with essential skills for tomorrow's technology-driven careers. As part of the initiative, Oracle announced Oracle University is collaborating with National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) to train 1,00,000 youth and professionals from diverse educational backgrounds, including engineering, arts, and science to better prepare them for employment opportunities.

Poonawalla Fincorp looks to AI to streamline internal audits

Poonawalla Fincorp, a leading NBFC focused on Consumer & MSME lending, is working with ServiceNow the AI Platform for business transformation and global digital workflow leader, to implement Generative AI-powered solutions aimed at enhancing audit and governance capabilities. This strategic collaboration will drive greater efficiency, automation, and compliance, reinforcing Poonawalla Fincorp's commitment to leveraging technology for operational excellence. With the global AI in Audit market projected to reach USD 11.7 billion by 2033 at a CAGR of 27.9% as per the market.us 'Global AI in Audit' report. Many attribute this growth to GenAI's ability to pinpoint high-risk areas and detect anomalies. By integrating ServiceNow's AI-driven workflows, Poonawalla Fincorp aims to not only streamline internal audits, but also optimise governance mechanisms.